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Covina Is Generous.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning a call came from the San Francisco relief committee at Los Angeles for help. By some misunderstanding it was given out that we were to have all things ready at 10 o'clock and a great many people could not get around in time and didn't have a chance to contribute. But at 5 o'clock our Covina relief car was loaded with 22 boxes of lemons, 125 boxes of groceries, 40 sacks of flour, 2 sacks of sugar and 107 bales and bundles of clothes and bedding, and the Southern Pacific Company agreed to put it through for us on express time, free of cost.

Mr. Hickson of the Southern Pacific Company has wired us for more help. They have established a headquarters at the Chamber of Commerce building in Los Angeles, where those passing can have a chance to contribute their mite, no matter how small. As these accumulations they will be set aside to help fill a car.

We want to get off a car of lemons from Covina next week. All parties willing to give lemons will please phone us or send us a card and we will see that they are properly boxed and cared for. Messrs. Clapp and Houser have kindly consented to allow us the use of the vacant building on the corner of Citrus and Badillo avenues, formerly the Bell & Ostrander store, and all persons having clothing or bedding or anything they wish to donate for this great cause can have a chance to leave it here, where it will receive proper care. Let us not get weary in well doing. Our people have responded nobly and generously, but take this message home to yourselves: Suppose it were you and your children, could people do too much for you? Don't feel bad because some one asks you to help. You can't say "I can't." Let us all do more than our share and don't see or care how little some one else does. We are all busy and have more work at home than we can attend to, but don't forget the widows and orphans and men who are fighting against hope without money or food, and when they get through they will not have accomplished anything and still be hungry and penniless. Won't you help?

J. O. Houser
Clarence Allison
H. J. Brittain
Relief Committee

Help for Sufferers.

To the citizens of Covina and vicinity:

As appeals are being made all over Southern California for aid to the sufferers of the San Francisco disaster, we point with pardonable pride to the manner in which our citizens responded to the call for aid. We were indeed handicapped by time, however we succeeded in getting together and shipping by S. P. train last night about six hundred dollars worth of groceries, provisions, cured meats, bedding, clothing, fruit, etc. And as we have been appealed to again, we have decided to send another carload of the same description on Tuesday, April 24th. As there is a shortage of bread, we earnestly ask the ladies of Covina and vicinity to bake as much bread as possible and deliver it to the old Bell & Ostrander store on the corner of Badillo and Citrus avenues, not later than 12 o'clock noon of April 24th. Anything in the line of groceries, provisions, cured meats, bedding, clothing, fruit, etc., will be very acceptable. Signed

J. O. Houser,
Clarence Allison,
H. J. Brittain
Relief Committee.

Telegram from Governor.

How many people can you take care of in your community? Need is great. Take as many as you can. Answer immediately.

GEO. C. PARDEE,

Governor of California.

The Covina committee sent a reply that they would care for 100 people. Leave your names and the number of people whom you can accommodate with H. J. Brittain or C. F. Clapp.

Relief Committee.

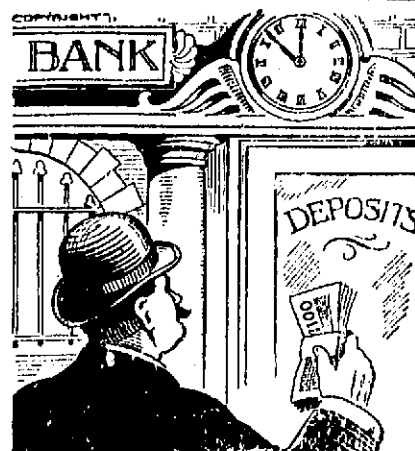
Pardee Banquet Postponed.

On account of the San Francisco disaster, Governor Pardee will be unable to pay his visit to Covina on next Tuesday as planned. It is expected that he will be here at some future date, and the banquet to have been given in his honor has been indefinitely postponed.

Track Meet Today.

Today the tri-cornered track meet of Azusa, Bonita and Covina High Schools is scheduled to be pulled off at Azusa on their new athletic field. For the last few years Covina has been doing a little along this line, but owing to lack of proper grounds for training and equipment have been greatly handicapped. Both Bonita and Citrus have good men and are in the best of condition but Covina hopes to make a showing to be proud of.

During the past week of training good form has been shown in nearly all the events. The men representing Covina will be Platt, E. Hamilton, Douglas, Reed, C. Hamilton, Fairly, Chapman, Winder and Ward.



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Small Blaze.

Our town folk were called out Thursday, shortly before the noon hour, by the fire alarm. A gasoline stove in the screen porch at the Methodist parsonage had exploded and the flames reached the roof of the building before the stove could be thrown outside. The fire hose was quickly connected but it seems the water had been turned off the plug. By the time a connection was made with another plug the blaze had been extinguished by the use of a garden hose and buckets.

Rev. I. Jewell and family are very grateful to their neighbors for responding so swiftly, thus avoiding a serious disaster.

Arbor Day.

Arbor day was observed by our schools yesterday with appropriate exercises. The following program was rendered at the High School auditorium: Song by the school; song by nine girls, garlanded in flowers, words being composed by Harry Brandt; song by quartet, Misses McLeod and Utter and Messrs. King and Nell; address by Rev. Mr. Gage; ten minute speeches by Rev. Utter, Prof. Babcock of Berkeley, Rev. I. Jewell, Rev. Taylor and C. E. Hewitt. The students and visitors then proceeded to the school grounds where each class planted a tree in its memory. The following class presidents made appropriate speeches for the occasion: 9th grade, Harry Nell; 10th grade, Gladys Rattin; 11th grade, Wallace Reed; 12th grade, Howard Douglas.

Mrs. E. S. Robinson and children left this week for Hanford where they will spend a couple months with Mr. Robinson.

Earthquakes.

This is genuine tremor weather. And the earth trembled. The shock that laid the northern metropolis low was hardly felt in Southern California.

Five or six slight shocks Wednesday night and Thursday morning, with more severe ones Friday night, helped us to sympathize with those that have gone through the real thing.

A number of telegrams were received in town inquiring concerning the safety of persons visiting here.

Our eastern friends do not realize that we are over 500 miles from the scene of the tremor.

There is no record of a death or serious damage caused by an earthquake in Los Angeles or vicinity.

The editor of this paper left for San Francisco on the special train which left Los Angeles Wednesday afternoon. The following has been received from him.

Thursday—We have just left Lathrop where the first evidences of the earthquake are apparent. At the railway station a forty thousand gallon water tank felt the earthquake's touch and fell over like a drunken man to the ground. Other evidences of disturbances are all around us and every precaution is being taken to secure safety. I think the reports have been somewhat exaggerated, especially concerning the loss of life. The trains are crowded with business men. Some are returning home to their families. Most of them give evidences of determination and courage characteristic of the true American everywhere. Many of them have lost all financially. Some saved a little in the bank vaults, all of which are reported safe.

Young People Married.

A pretty wedding took place on Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock at the Methodist Church, when Miss Elsie Graham, the only daughter of Mrs. Robert Taylor, was united in marriage to Mr. Menzies Ames of Vineland, Rev. J. W. Utter. The bride was attired in a gown of white silk, with a wreath of orange blossoms and a bridal veil, and carried a bouquet of white carnations and asparagus ferns. The bridal couple were attended by Miss Etta Crouse as bridesmaid and Raymond Crouse as best man. The little Misses Elsie Asher and Emily McKee were flower girls.

The young married couple left immediately for Los Angeles by way to Monrovia on a brief wedding tour.

National Baptist Convention.

The National Baptist Convention will convene in Los Angeles, Sept. 16, 1906. For this occasion the Santa Fe will sell tickets from the East to Los Angeles and San Francisco at half rates. Write to your friends.

Summer Excursions.

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Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Thorpe received a telegram from their sister, Ellen Beach Yaw, saying she would arrive here May 3rd.

Dr. J. D. Reed returned yesterday from Huntsville, Mo., where he was called by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. T. B. Reed, who passed away before her son arrived.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. R. C. Clark entertained a party of little girls in honor of the eighth birthday of her little daughter Margery. The guests were Imogene Arthur, Helen Broadwell, Grace Chapman, Augusta Judd, Lucille and Genevieve Matthews, Hazel Potter, Bertha Rich, Muriel and Gwendolen Sherwood, Phyllis Brunjes, Myrtle Daniels, Margaret Thorpe, Violet Tucker, and Lewis Clark. The afternoon was spent in games and songs, after which dainty refreshments were served.

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"Where is that sugar barrel, ma-dame? Where is that sugar barrel?" exclaimed the genial Pa Jones, excitedly, as he rushed down cellar and then dashed up again. "What have you done with it? Have you been chopping it up to start the fire in the gas stove? Have you been giving it to the Smiths for an ash receiver? Why don't you leave things alone? Why don't you keep your claws off of my personal property? You can't keep anything in this house! You can't even keep your temper! If you don't—"

"What is the matter with you now, you amiable old grouch?" interrupted Ma, with a fierce glare at the palpitating Pa. "What makes you act so heavenly? What makes you act so much like a yap-faced Jones? What—"

"What do you suppose is the matter with me, sweet angel? What do you suppose is the matter with me?" broke in Pa, explosively. "Can't you see that I am agitated? Can't you see that I am hot in the collar? Can't you see that I am mad? Where is that barrel? Why don't you confess? Why don't you plead guilty and throw yourself on the mercy of the Court? Why don't you—"

"What do you want that barrel for, you silly sinner?" queried Ma, with a quizzical look at her lord and master. "What do—"

"There you go again, Mrs. Jones! There you go again!" was the shoutful rejoinder of the steamful Pa. "You are just like a Smith! You ask more foolish questions than a sewing society! You spout more irrelevant talk than a dude debate! Why don't you pause and consider? Why don't you stop and guess? Why don't you stop the rattle of your tongue so that you can hear the buzz of your wisdom wheels? Would any thoughtful person think that I wanted that sugar barrel to make a saw for your dear mother and little Fido? Would any person capable of conjecture imagine for one moment that I wanted that sugar barrel for a watch charm? Not on your life, lovey-dovey! Not on your life! They would know at once that I wanted to use it to make snowshoes! They would know—"

"Snowshoes!" ejaculated Ma, with amazeful emotion. "Have you gone real batty? Are you jogging along the daffy route? What in the world do you want snowshoes for? What—"

"You are certainly the limit, ma-dame! You are certainly the limit!" was the barkful response of Pa. "You have got a civil service examiner beaten a mile down the boulevard! What do you suppose I want snowshoes for? What would any sane man do with snowshoes? Can't you hear the beautiful white splashing against the window panes? Can't you hear the wind howling like a prating political orator? Didn't you read the weather reports? Don't you know that snow is going to be piled up around here to-morrow morning like the gold surplus in the national treasury? Haven't you heard of the Greenlanders? Don't you know that they cannot sachet along the snowful in society slippers? Don't you know that they have shoes big enough to dodge patent corn cure? Why don't you improve your mind and get wise? Why don't you put something solid in your dome that gossip cannot crowd out? Where is that sugar barrel? Where did you say that—"

"For heaven's sake shut up!" shouted Ma, wrathfully. "You make more noise than the crows in your Cousin Het's cornfield! I should think that you would be afraid that your talk would wear out your teeth! I should think that—"

"Never mind what you think, woman! Never mind what you think!" thundered Pa, in a sizzful voice. "Your opinion doesn't cut any ice in the council! You can't Susan B. Anthony this convention! I want that sugar barrel, and I want it quick! This snow business is getting deeper every minute, and I don't purpose to dig my way out of this happy home when I can walk out! I don't purpose to—"

"Of course you don't, you sap-headed hero!" said the indignant Ma, with considerable heat. "You want to make a monkey of yourself! You want everybody to know what a beautiful lunatic you are! But don't you think that I care! Don't you think that I am going to sob for you! You will find your barrel in the cellar where you fell over it a dozen times! You will find it just where you kicked it for revenge when you bumped your old bald pate on the beams while carrying up coal!"

With this the petulant Ma majestically swept from the room, followed by little Fido, and a few minutes later the sound of a hammer and the rattle of Jones' eloquence plainly indicated that Pa was working on the wonderful shoes.

"Hurry down, Mary! Hurry down!" was the cheery chirp of the happy Pa at the foot of the stairs early the next morning. "I want you to see a real Laplander skeladdle around on snowshoes! I want you to see what a sweet and joyous thing inventive genius is! I want you—"

"Gee whizz, Ben Jones!" exclaimed Ma, incredulously. "Do you mean to tell me that you are going into the street with those barrel staves strapped to your feet? Do you mean to tell me that you are going to give a free show for the whole thoroughfare? You

ought to be put in a padded cell! You ought to—"

"You are jealous, ducky dear! You are jealous!" returned Pa, with a condescending glance at his little Mary. "You are kinky in the temper because you can't do the trick! You are peevish because you and all the rest of the Smiths have to paddle around in gum-boats!"

So saying Pa started for the door with all the captivating grace of a mauve-colored cow trying to dance the minuet, while the merciless Ma continued to chide him in her sweet, wifely way.

He managed to get off the porch all right, and also successfully negotiated the sidewalk, but when the sanguine Laplander attempted to cross the street his ward went Democratic.

Through some omission there wasn't a mutual understanding as to which way his feet should go, and when one started east and the other steered west there was only one thing Pa could do, and he did it.

Down he went with a bumpful thud, and at the end of a spasmodic ten minutes he was still there, for with those barrel staves on his shanks Pa couldn't get sufficient hold to rise.

"Help, Mary! Help!" shrieked the struggling Henry, as he glared wild-eyed down the street. "Save me! Save me! Here comes a trolley! Give me a lift! Throw me a life preserver! Chuck me a—"

"Help yourself, you hayseed hecker!" was the unsympathetic rejoinder of Ma. "I told you not to growl at the visitors! I told you not to leave your cage! It would serve you just right if you did get hit by a trolley!"

Fortunately a kindly cop happened along at that anxious moment, and Pa was released from his perilous predicament only to meet more trouble, for hardly had he returned to the house before the neighbors had to stuff cotton in their ears and pound on the piano to drown the sound of the Jones riot.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

HOW TO GAIN IN HEIGHT.

Machine to Stretch the Body—Will It Stay Stretched?

"Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?" is a question contained in Christ's sermon on the Mount which has generally been regarded as unanswerable, says the New York Tribune. The Hebrew cubit was equal to about twenty-two inches, and the problem involved in making such a gain as that was enough to discourage any one. But there are two men in Colorado to-day who by taking thought have contrived a machine by which, they declare, a gratifying number of inches may be added to the height of any person who will be satisfied with something less than a foot. The originators of this method are Prof. David B. Cropp, former physical director of the State University of Colorado, and Fordyce P. Cleaves, of Denver.

In using this body-extending machine the patient lies down upon the framework and is securely fastened to it by straps around the head and feet. At his right hand there is a lever by which he extends the machine and thus submits his body to whatever extreme of stretching he desires, using the lever to apply more power or relieve the strain at will. The machine extends like a dining table, from the middle both ways, and by means of the straps around head and feet the pressure is applied evenly along the body.

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No Holiday.

People have different ideas as to what constitutes a holiday—or a vacation. Mrs. Pettis had her own firmly fixed opinions on the subject.

"I don't count Thanksgiving or Christmas or Washington's Birthday or any of those holidays," she said, frankly, to an old friend one day. "What I count a holiday is when Ezra and Jim and Bob and Laphet go off up to the wood-lot with their dinner, and I know they won't be back till night."

"I'm not one to deny that men folks have their good points, but how any woman can call it a holiday when they're in the house, calling for food by looks when they aren't by words, is beyond me!"

Thinning Down the Congregation.
"I notice that the Rev. Dr. Hills says it's wrong to go to church in an automobile."

"I s'pose he's thinkin' of the church-goers on foot who are likely to be run over before the automobile gets there."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Philosophy.

Miss Emerson—Have you read Kant?

Miss Achison—No, but I've read "Don't."—Cleveland Leader.

One of these days some man will be killed by his wife, and she will confess that she did it because, though patient and tender every time he complained, when she got sick he always said: "Oh, you just imagine you are."

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FROM LOS ANGELES

STATIONS	No. 8 Over-land	No. 43 Local Daily	No. 44 Local Daily	No. 4 Limited	No. 9 Over-land
Leave Los Angeles	a. m. 7:30	a. m. 8:50	p. m. 4:30	p. m. 6:15	p. m. 8:00
Arrive in Azusa	8:32	9:32	5:26	7:04	9:04

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But Linden saw another sight
When the drum beat, at the dead of night,
Commanding fires of death to light
The darkness of her scenery.

By torch and trumpet fast arrayed,
Each horseman drew his battle-blade,
And furious every charger neighed,
To join the dreadful revelry.

Then shook the hills with thunder riven,
Then rushed the steed to battle driven,
And louder than the bolts of heaven,
Far flashed the red artillery.

But redder yet that light shall glow
On Linden's hills of stained snow,
And bloodier yet the torrent flow
Of Iser, rolling rapidly.

'Tis morn, but scarce you level sun
Can pierce the war clouds, rolling dun,
Where furious Frank and fiery Hun,
Shout in their sulphurous canopy.

The combat deepens. On, ye brave!
Who rush to glory or the grave!
Wave, Munich! all thy banners wave,
And charge with all thy chivalry!

Few, few shall part where many meet;
The snow shall be their winding sheet,
And every turf beneath their feet
Shall be a soldier's sepulcher.
—Thomas Campbell.

ONCE UPON A TIME.

First Railroad Train Isn't So Old as Youngsters Sometimes Think.

Did you go to the St. Louis fair? If you did, and you failed to see the railroad exhibit you missed a wonderfully interesting part of "the show." You missed seeing what may be called the evolution or development of that wonderful invention, the railroad engine. The trouble is that the boys and girls of to-day are so accustomed to the railroad that they think little of all that it represents. Some of them may be like a little girl I happen to know, who once said:

"Why, papa, didn't we always have railroads?"

Just ask your grandparents about that. I have an idea that some of them will tell you that they were men and women long before they ever saw a railroad engine. A man but forty-five years old told me the other day that he walked ten miles with some other boys when he was ten years old to see a railroad train.

It has not been so very many years since the most intelligent men and women laughed and even jeered at the mere idea of people riding at the rate of fifteen or twenty miles an hour. When George Stephenson first began to talk about inventing an engine to be run on lines of wooden or iron track, the people looked upon him as a dreamer, a visionary who might not be quite "right in his head."

But this George Stephenson, of Wylam, near Newcastle, in England, was not to be put down by sneers nor jeers, and he had the audacity to declare that he could invent an engine that would run at the terrific rate of twenty-five miles an hour, whereupon one of the most noted periodicals of the day said that he ought to be "put in a straitjacket."

Stephenson went to work and built a queer-looking little railroad engine called the "Rocket" in 1829, and that was the beginning of one of the most useful and wonderful things in the world—the modern railway system.—St. Nicholas.

A Stranger in Town.

Fifteen miles below the head of the passes of the Mississippi, and not far from where Southwest Pass loses itself in the Gulf of Mexico, a little stream no wider than a village street curves away from the main "pass." Along both sides are tiny landings, and back of each there is a cottage. The cottages are now neglected and forlorn, but once they were palm-shaded, rose-guarded and lovely. There, in the days when Southwest Pass was the principal mouth of the Mississippi, dwelt the pilots who carried ships across the bar.

"Old Pilot-town" is hidden from the traveler on the pass by a dense cane-brake, and strangers seldom enter it from its bayou. One who did came down the river in a skiff, and turned into "Old Pilot-town Bayou" at noon for dinner. He found a ready meal at the first cottage, where dwelt an old woman, widow of one of the old-time pilots. As the meal progressed, one by one interested neighbors dropped in to see the stranger, till a dozen were braced against the walls.

"How many people live here now, Mrs. B?" asked the visitor. "I thought the bayou was rather deserted."

Mrs. B. looked round the room and took account of stock.

"You can count them for yourself," she said. "They're all here."

A Cheerful Soul.

A man lost a leg in a railway accident, and when they picked him up the first word he said was: "Thank the Lord, it was the leg with the rheumatism in it!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Some men don't care how dull business is if it is equally bad with their rivals.

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An eminent physician had cured a little child of a dangerous illness. The grateful mother turned her steps toward the house of her son's savior.

"Doctor," she said, "there are some things which cannot be repaid. I really don't know how to express my gratitude. I thought you would, perhaps, be so kind as to accept this purse, embroidered by my own hand."

"Madam," replied the doctor coldly, "medicine is no trivial affair and our visits are to be rewarded only in money. Small presents serve to sustain friendships, but they do not sustain our families."

"But, doctor," said the lady, alarmed and wounded, "speak—tell me the fee."

"Two hundred dollars, madam."

The lady opened the embroidered purse, took out five bank notes of \$100 each, gave two to the doctor, put the remaining three back in the purse, bowed coldly and took her departure.—Lippincott's.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

Exception.

Gyer—I know of a case in which the office is seeking the man.

Myer—How's that?

Gyer—There is no salary connected with it, neither is there a chance for fees.

Imposition.

Bifkins—The current number of Blank's magazine is almost wholly a reprint of last month's issue.

Mifkins—You don't say!

Bifkins—Fact. There are but three new advertisements in the whole ninety-six pages.

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Write for Illustrated Catalog.

W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.

Changes of Time.

He had read a marriage notice mentioning the age of the groom as 17 and that of the bride as 16 years.

"Yes," he mused, "times are changing. When I was young childish amusements were much simpler."

Not So wonderful.

Meyer—It was certainly a miracle. I barely escaped with my life.

Gyer—Huh! I fail to see anything miraculous about that. Now, if you had escaped without your life the story would be far more interesting.

He Had Been There.

"Did you ever feel as if all the world was against you?" queried the pessimist.

"Yes, once," replied the optimist. "When I was a boy I fell a distance of ten feet out of an apple tree."

\$36.00 per M. Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar, costs the dealer some more than other 5c cigars, but the higher price enables this factory to use higher grade tobacco. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Determination.

"I believe that in an election the best man should win," said Senator Sorghum.

"That is a proper and patriotic sentiment."

"Yes, sir. And I have my own ideas about who the best man is, and I'm going to see that he does win, no matter how many votes are cast against him."—Washington Star.

Perfectly Awful.

Mrs. Muchwed—Nothing in the world could induce me to live in Russia.

Mrs. Neighbors—It certainly isn't a desirable country to live in.

Mrs. Muchwed—I should say not. Why, I was reading in a paper this morning that in Russia no one is permitted to marry more than five times. Such atrocious tyranny is perfectly awful.

Up to Nature.

First Artist—Get any ideas, old man?

Second Artist—Well, I guess, yes. Got a bang-up sketch of a cyclone in action.

"What in thunder can you do with a cyclone?"

"Do with it? What do you suppose? I'm going to use it for the hair in my new portrait of the American girl."—Puck.

His Bluff Was Good.

"But," protested the millionaire father, "you are hardly the man I would wish for a son-in-law."

"I'm not looking for a job as son-in-law, if any one should ask you," rejoined the poor but seemingly honest young man. "I propose to do the hustle act for Mayme and myself."

Whereupon the father was taken off his guard and neglected to call the young man's bluff.

The Complaint.

"What are you complaining about?" asked the insurance man.

"Well," answered the clerk in the insurance concern, "some of us feel that we are being as badly underpaid for working overtime as the directors were overpaid for working under time."—Washington Star.

Extremely Close.

Howell—They are close friends, aren't they?

Powell—Yes; neither can borrow a cent from the other. —Woman's Home Companion.

Wiseest Folk.

Who are the only wise people on earth? Why, those who agree with us, of course. —New York Press.

Sure Winner.

The Man—The girl looks upon my suit with favor, but both her father and mother oppose it.

The Maid—Then I may as well congratulate you.

The Man—Why, pray?

The Maid—You are sure to be elected by an overwhelming minority.

What is to be gained by an old man dyeing his beard and fooling the neighbors, so long as Death is too shrewd to be fooled.

ID DEARLY FOR MEANNESS.

Mer Lost Eighty Hogs by Ill-Treating a Boy and Dog.
 "It doesn't pay to incur the enmity of a boy," said a Kansas City man the other day, relating the misdeeds of early youth. "I remember how I revenge on a farmer whom I might mistreated me. He had a dog which I greatly admired, which he sadly mistreated by starving and beating it. I used to coax the dog to go hunting with me, and as I had no gun, his aid in running down wild birds was very material. One day the farmer caught me hunting with his dog. He seized me by the neck and beat me roughly, telling me that if he caught me hunting with his dog again he would break every bone in my body and stamp me into the earth. I felt only indignant. I planned to be avenged by some method which would get me into more trouble. Within the next two weeks my tormentor lost fifty fine hogs from cholera. I had satisfaction. From the pen of a neighbor whose pigs had the plague I picked up two half-eaten ears of corn which I threw into the feed lot of my enemy and infected his whole lot. It was a devilish deed, and even before the pigs began to die I had retributed. A boy's wrath is as terrible as a man's, and he has not the wisdom to help him control it. Eighty hogs was the price that farmer paid for promising to massacre a boy making friends with his mistreated dog. And the farmer never knew. Even a boy and a dog are better to have as friends than as enemies."—Kansas City Press.

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"Sometimes I think my typewriter does more than I do," remarked the New York orator. "I was dictating a speech to her this morning and I said 'The ballot is sacred.'"
 A very proper sentiment."
 "But she changed it. She mixed the letters of the last word a little and changed it to 'scared.'"—Washington Star.

How It Happened.

Ships—How did the ship come to bang into the rocks?
Ships—Why, a young man was courted by the lighthouse keeper's daughter, and he absent-mindedly turned the light on low.—Woman's Home Companion.

Featured.

"What do you mean by this?" roared the irate editor to the blase reporter, "told you to go out and get me a lead feature story and you bring me a dry old debate."
 "It ought to be a good feature story," replied the delinquent. "If you look at it you will find it full of 'ayes' and 'nays.'"—Baltimore American.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

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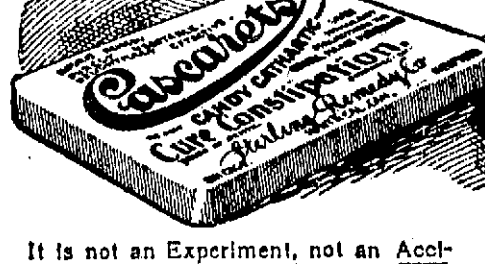
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"At any rate," remarked the patriotic citizen, "when a cadet comes out of the American naval academy he can't be beaten."

"I don't doubt it," chuckled the man with the mustard whiskers. "He has been beaten so much while he is in the academy that I guess he is hardened enough to stand anything."

HIGH CLASS DRUGGISTS AND — OTHERS.

The better class of druggists, everywhere, are men of scientific attainments and high integrity, who devote their lives to the welfare of their fellow men in supplying the best of remedies and purest medicinal agents of known value, in accordance with physicians' prescriptions and scientific formula. Druggists of the better class manufacture many excellent remedies, but always under original or official names and they never sell false brands, or imitation medicines. They are the men to deal with when in need of anything in their line, which usually includes all standard remedies and corresponding adjuncts of a first-class pharmacy and the finest and best of toilet articles and preparations and many useful accessories and remedial appliances. The earning of a fair living, with the satisfaction which arises from a knowledge of the benefits conferred upon their patrons and assistance to the medical profession, is usually their greatest reward for long years of study and many hours of daily toil. They all know that Syrup of Figs is an excellent laxative remedy and that it gives universal satisfaction, and therefore they are selling many millions of bottles annually to the well informed purchasers of the choicest remedies, and they always take pleasure in handing out the genuine article bearing the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of every package. They know that in cases of colds and headaches attended by biliousness and constipation and of weakness or torpidity of the liver and bowels, arising from irregular habits, indigestion, or over-eating, that there is no other remedy so pleasant, prompt and beneficial in its effects as Syrup of Figs, and they are glad to sell it because it gives universal satisfaction.

Owing to the excellence of Syrup of Figs, the universal satisfaction which it gives and the immense demand for it, imitations have been made, tried and condemned, but there are individual druggists to be found, here and there, who do not maintain the dignity and principles of the profession and whose greed gets the better of their judgment, and who do not hesitate to recommend and try to sell the imitations in order to make a larger profit. Such preparations sometimes have the name—"Syrup of Figs"—or "Fig Syrup" and of some piratical concern, or fictitious fig syrup company, printed on the package, but they never have the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of the package. The imitations should be rejected because they are injurious to the system. In order to sell the imitations they find it necessary to resort to misrepresentation or deception, and whenever a dealer passes off on a customer a preparation under the name of "Syrup of Figs" or "Fig Syrup," which does not bear the full name of the California Fig Syrup Co. printed on the front of the package, he is attempting to deceive and mislead the patron who has been so unfortunate as to enter his establishment, whether it be large or small, for if the dealer resorts to misrepresentation and deception in one case he will do so with other medicinal agents, and in the filling of physicians' prescriptions, and should be avoided by every one who values health and happiness. Knowing that the great majority of druggists are reliable, we supply the immense demand for our excellent remedy entirely through the druggists, of whom it may be purchased everywhere, in original packages only, at the regular price of fifty cents per bottle, but as exceptions exist it is necessary to inform the public of the facts, in order that all may decline or return any imitation which may be sold to them. If it does not bear the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of every package, do not hesitate to return the article and to demand the return of your money, and in future go to one of the better class of druggists who will sell you what you wish and the best of everything in his line at reasonable prices.

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Apalling Disaster.

One of the greatest disasters of modern times over took the city of San Francisco and surrounding country Wednesday morning, involving untold millions in property losses and possibly thousands of human lives.

The magnitude of the calamity is such as to defy description. The great dailies are issuing extra editions every hour containing the latest telegraphic news from the stricken city.

All that can be accomplished by modern medical and surgical skill is being done for the wounded, while from all over the country funds are pouring in to buy food and clothing for the thousands that have been rendered destitute.

The horrible details are yet to come and not until telegraphic communication is fully established will the extent of the disaster be known.

There is only one pleasing feature in the affair and that is the spontaneous outpouring of the milk of human kindness and the practical demonstrations of sympathy in gifts of time, money and service by men and women everywhere.

Poor, stricken San Francisco! "How are the mighty fallen?"

Clean Up the Town.

Strangers coming into our city are greeted by so many unsightly weeds on and near the pavements! Can't we remedy this through our civic committee—our "city dade"? Let us have a day when all will use shovel and hoe, eradicating those unsightly enemies. Some of our citizens are doing beautifully—no many are not. Some of our alleys are in a shocking condition, breeders of typhoid and other miserable diseases. Fellow citizens, let us be up and doing ere we fall to partake of ozone.

The merchandise loss to wholesale houses alone in San Francisco is estimated at two hundred million dollars, and San Francisco being the great jollying center of the Pacific coast, this loss will greatly affect prices. Already many lines of goods are scarce and prices higher. Many lines of goods cannot be replaced for six months, and this will affect the whole Pacific coast and eastern markets as well. Los Angeles has already been cleaned out of many staple goods. Credits are being restricted, causing much hardship to many centers.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Covina Mutual Building and Loan Association, to have been held Wednesday evening has been postponed one week on account of failure to have a quorum present.

Invest your savings in Covina Mutual Building and Loan Association Stock pays 12 per cent. See J. H. Matthews, secretary, Covina. Office opposite postoffice.

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FOSSIL CORKSCREWS

QUEER FREAKS OF NATURE THAT
ABOUND IN NEBRASKA.

Gigantic Spirals of Mineral Fashioned So Mathematically as to Be Easily Mistaken at First Glance For Works of Art.

Nobody knows with certainty what the so called "devil's corkscrews" really are. They are found by tens of thousands in Nebraska, most particularly in Sioux county, and some of them are as much as forty feet in height, without counting the gigantic "roots" presently to be described. Quartz is the substance of which they are made, but how they came to be imbedded, numbers of them together, in the sandstone cliffs of that region is more than anybody can tell, unless, perhaps, one theory, to be mentioned later, is to be accepted as correct.

You are traveling, let us say, on horseback through that part of the country, and, as often happens, you see, standing out from the face of a sandstone cliff, a gigantic spiral. If, as geologists have proved, the sandstone rock be chipped away a corkscrew shaped thing of quartz is exposed to view, fashioned so mathematically as to be easily mistaken at first glance for a work of art. The white spiral may be free, as a sculptor would say, or, in other cases, may be twined about a sort of axis, as a vine would run around a vertical pole.

Somewhere awhile ago gave to these spirals the name "devil's corkscrews" for want of a better and as expressive of the mystery of their origin. Scientists discussed them in vain, and many theories were formed in regard to them. There were authorities who declared they were fossil burrows excavated in tertiary times by gophers of a huge and extinct species. And, to confirm this notion, the bones of some burrowing animal were actually found imbedded in the substance of one of the "screws." This seemed to settle the matter for awhile, until the controversy was started again by the discovery of the osseous remains, under like conditions, of a small deer. Nobody could assert that a deer was ever a burrowing animal, and so that notion had to be abandoned.

Other theorists declared that the "fossil twisters," as some folks called them, represented the prehistoric borings of gigantic worms that lived in the very long ago. Yet others suggested that they were petrified vines, though it was difficult to explain how or why the "poles" on which the alleged vines seemed in many cases to have been trained had been so admirably preserved, or, for that matter, originally erected.

In the midst of so many contradictory theories the problem seemed likely to defy solution indefinitely. The one that held out longest and gained most adherents was that of the extinct gophers. It accounted for the "root"—a shapeless appendage often nearly as big as the "twister" itself and attached to the lower end of the latter—which obviously, as it seemed, had been the nest of the rodent animal, the "corkscrew" representing the spiral hole by which it made its way to the surface of the ground. What could possibly be more easy to comprehend?

Professor E. H. Barbour, however, has declared—and his decision is accepted provisionally until somebody offers a better—that the corkscrews are of vegetable origin. They are, he asserts, the fossil remains of ancient water weeds of gigantic size, which grew millions of years ago on the bottom of a vast sheet of water that covered all of Nebraska. These must have been the biggest aquatic plants that ever existed, and when the huge lake that overflowed the region in question dried up the remains of many of the plants were left behind buried in the accumulated detritus at the bottom.

In the course of time—ages after the bottom of the ancient lake had been converted into solid rock—rivers plowed their way through the land, cutting this way and that and exposing to the view of the modern traveler on the faces of the cliffs the fossil casts of the prehistoric water weeds just as they stood when they grew hundreds of thousands and probably millions of years ago. Their tissues were replaced as they decayed by silica from the water, particle by particle, and thus, as if by magical means, their likenesses have been preserved for the wonder and admiration of the present survivors on the earth.

Such is the theory now pretty well accepted by scientists in regard to the origin of the "fossil corkscrews." Possibly it is not correct, but if otherwise there is room for the exercise of anybody's imagination in the consideration of this veritable romance of the ancient history of the world.—New York Herald.

Art thou in misery, brother? Then I pray be comforted. Thy grief shall pass away. Art thou elated? Ah, be not too gay. Temper thy joy. This, too, shall pass away.—Paul H. Hayne.

A Man of Action.
Hicks—There isn't a man in town who can keep the conversational ball rolling like our friend Gayrake. Wicks—Nonsense! He never says anything worth listening to. Hicks—No, but he does a lot of things worth talking about.—Philadelphia Ledger.

He who feels contempt for any living thing hath faculties that he hath never used, and thought with him is in its infancy.—Wordsworth.



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Van Webster of Everett, Wash., arrived Thursday and is guest of his old time schoolmate, Garry Layman.

J. H. Brown of Los Angeles spent a few days here this week attending to ranch duties.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Nigg went to Los Angeles Thursday to spend a few days with friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Blise of Santa Barbara visited this week with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Ratekin.

W. M. Paine of Olive, Cal., spent Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Ratekin.

J. Smeltzer sold this week 12 lots of the Daniel Houser property in Lordsburg, Henry L. Kuns being the buyer.

J. Smeltzer left yesterday for a five months tour in the East. He expects to visit the principal cities in Iowa, Illinois and Indiana.

Mrs. Lou McKiraban of Los Angeles arrived Wednesday and will make an indefinite visit at the home of A. McKiraban.

Miss Mary Tucker departed Wednesday for her home in Indiana after spending the winter visiting her nephew, C. W. Tucker.

H. Armstrong and family, who have spent a year in Covina, left Wednesday for their home in Altadena, Ill.

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"Mr. Bob" arrives at the Womens Club House Saturday evening, April 21. Come and see him. Admission 25c, reserved seats at Clapp's.

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Mrs. J. D. Reed and Mrs. B. L. Reynolds represented the local M. E. Sunday-school at the convention held Wednesday and Thursday at the First M. E. Church, Los Angeles.

Mrs. A. Fletcher entertained a small party at luncheon yesterday to meet Prof. Borden of the University extension department of the State University.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Powers and children, who have been visiting Mrs. Power's mother, Mrs. M. Shelton, and sister, Mrs. Robert Creusshaw, left Wednesday for Oklahoma, where they will locate permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. Job Trout entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Larick. Those present were Misses Ethel Shank, Blanche and Flora Boots, and Messrs. E. Mitchell, Duck and Larick.

During my absence in the East, W. H. Potter will attend to any writings or applications for the Los Angeles Fire Association. People wishing insurance in that company will please notify Mr. Potter by letter or phone. Address Covina, phone 4262. J. Smeltzer. 5 12p

F. W. Hyde arrived from Lone Pine this week to join his wife, who has been spending the winter with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Willits. Mr. and Mrs. Hyde will occupy the residence on the Walker tract recently vacated by M. N. Overholtzer and family.

Mrs. C. W. Potter came up from Los Angeles yesterday and returned on the afternoon train accompanied by her children, who will stay over Sunday. She reports Mr. Potter out of danger and progressing favorably. The operation which was performed at the Good Samaritan Hospital on Saturday evening proved successful in every way and from that time he has rapidly regained strength.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Q. Coster of West Badillo street was the scene of a most delightful time, when on last Friday evening, April 13, they entertained the two Young Peoples classes of the Baptist Sunday-school and a number of their friends. The evening was spent in games and music, after which they were entertained by Mr. McCandless with a number of phonograph selections. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served the guests to the number of forty.

Mrs. L. Rockwell is spending the week at Compton with relatives.

The Cotillion Club has sent out invitations for a dance to be given in the Womens Club House on the evening of Tuesday, May 1.

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The class of '08 of the high school will introduce "Mr. Bob" to the public of Covina Saturday evening, April 21. Admission 25c. Reserved seats at Clapp's.

Thursday being ladies night at the Covina Country Club. About thirty members and their wives were present. Cards and music were indulged in, prizes being won by Mrs. Burpee and Mrs. Fabrick.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church will meet at the home of Mrs. E. A. Rich on Center street next Wednesday afternoon at the 3 o'clock. Program in charge of Mrs. Rich.

Buy your roses now while I am selling out. \$1.25 a dozen. Fine field grown plants, regular \$2.50. Carnations \$1.25 a dozen delivered, fine strong plants.

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According to the Daily Californian of Berkeley, C. R. Shipway of this place, now attending the State University, was elected one of the two men to represent his class on the Students Cooperative Society of that institution.

The moving picture entertainments given in the Womens Club House on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings under the auspices of the Monday Afternoon Club were enjoyed by a large audience on both evenings. The illustrated songs by Mr. Wetmore, baritone, were greatly appreciated.

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church held its annual election of officers on Tuesday, April 17. The following officers were elected: president, J. F. Laycock; first vice, Mrs. J. L. Matthews; second vice, Miss Edith Farmer; third vice, Mrs. Anna Finch; fourth vice, Mrs. Ethel Cushman; secretary, Wallace Reed; treasurer, Virgil Bonham; organist, Miss Mattie Breakey.

The Easter services in Holy Trinity Church on Sunday were most impressive and inspiring. The church was decorated with great taste and looked especially beautiful, and the choir never rendered more effectively or with greater charm the beautiful anthems appropriate to the season. The services will partake of the same character on Sunday and the music will be repeated.

Huntington Beach was visited Tuesday by Meses. Moxley and Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Jewell. The services of the dedication of the new auditorium and the Deaconess Rest Home were greatly enjoyed by all the large audience. Seven electric cars were crowded taking the Methodist folk from Los Angeles and suburbs to this popular Methodist resort. This seaside city is growing very rapidly, thirty new buildings now being in course of construction.

Rev. J. L. Pitner, D.D., Presiding Elder of San Diego district of the M. E. Church, purchased the Judge Davis ranch yesterday. Consideration said to be \$7,500. Dr. Pitner has had some experience in growing Florida oranges, where he made success of the business. The doctor has a delightful ranch here now and we hope to occasionally hear his eloquent voice especially his lecture on "Boot and Saddle." Welcome to our community--thrice welcome--doctor.

A week from next Friday evening, May 4, Prof. Kelsey will be in Covina and give a James Whitcomb Riley recital. Prof. Kelsey is a great friend of Riley's and gives a rare interpretation of the poet's touching pieces. Prof. Kelsey is vice-president of Whittier College and comes here highly recommended. This special date has been secured by the '06 class of the High School and the entertainment will be held in the High School Auditorium.

Last Tuesday evening the friends of Mrs. Armstrong gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wolfarth to bid her goodbye before her departure with her family for their home in the East. She was presented with a handsome brery spoon as a token of love and esteem. Ice cream and cake were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Seeley, Pollard, Thomason, Armstrong, Jackson Meses, John Houser, Frey, Leisure, Corbett, Crouse, Hodges, Statton, Allison, C. Wolfarth, Goodrich, Benton, Misses Hortense Armstrong, Joy Benton, May Allison, Mabel Houser, Messrs. Otto Wolfarth and Clay Benton.

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THE COVINA ARGUS

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King Christian died poor. He should have consulted King Leopold.

The doctors will get even with Grover Cleveland the next time he has a twinge of rheumatism.

Recent disclosures concerning the "smart set" give Colonel Watterston an excellent excuse for saying, "I told you so."

Complaint is made that the navy is becoming too costly. Some way must be found to reduce the expense of the hazing trials.

A pure food law, say its opponents, would work a revolution in certain industries. This, if true, only demonstrates the need of a pure food law.

Georgia drummers are demanding a law for clean sheets. They ought to consult with Messrs. Hapgood and Collier, who have done something toward getting cleaner sheets.

Esperanto, the new universal language, has been set to music. A great deal of operatic singing has always sounded like Esperanto, no matter what the nominal language was.

The late King Christian of Denmark left a very small estate—hardly a quarter of a million. The Russian grand dukes and the princes of the graft business the world over must be staggered by so gross a neglect of opportunity.

In woman's artistic dress Miss Repplier, the clever essayist, sees a guaranty of woman's ascendancy. To paraphrase an old adage: Let us wear the skirts of the country, and we care not who wields the ballot and makes the laws.

"The fact that King Christian left an estate worth only \$250,000," says the Indianapolis News, "makes it evident that he was indifferent to his opportunities." Not necessarily. There may be less rottenness in the state of Denmark than there used to be.

The greatest problem of education unsolved to-day relates to girls. Heretofore their education has been a mere copy of that long ago established for boys. Some day a genius will come along and conceive thoughts which shall form the basis of an education which shall help girls to all their best possibilities without dissipating their strength on lines of effort established for natures in some respects entirely different.

Andrew Carnegie doubtless obtains great satisfaction from his possession of immense wealth, but he doubtless obtains still greater satisfaction from his occasional success as a speaker and writer. Unquestionably he would rather be numbered among the great artists, the great musicians or the great authors of the world than he would among the great millionaires. The applause which greeted his really clever little speech at the Mark Twain dinner was more grateful to him than all the power which his wealth confers upon him. After all there are some successes in the world that are better to be desired than the attaining of much money.

Last year there were over 9,000 homicides committed in the United States, a considerable increase over the previous year. Undoubtedly there was also an increase in other crimes. The statement is made that with the single exception of the Italians the American people are the most homicidal nation in the civilized world. The indictment against this country is emphasized by comparison with the criminal statistics of other leading nations. In 1,000 of the homicides number 105 per 1,000 of inhabitants per year; in this country last year the ratio was 115 per 1,000,000. The annual average ratio of homicides to population in Germany is 13 per 1,000,000, in France 19 per 1,000,000, and in the United Kingdom 27 per 1,000,000.

The use of large sums of money in elections is admittedly a menace to free institutions. Heavy contributors are generally prompted by a desire for individual gain. The interests thus represented are enabled to dominate political organizations, centralizing power and depriving the many of their political rights for the benefit of the few. It is useless to assert that practices of this nature can not be eliminated. England has demonstrated the possibilities in this direction so conclusively as to leave dissenters no ground on which to stand. The corrupt practices act in force there places restrictions upon candidates and their supporters which make the use of large amounts impossible. Responsibility is fixed with a certainty that leaves no room for evasion, and the result has been a complete transformation.

We are getting rather tired of the north pole. It has been overdone. Time was when we were intensely curious to know about it and thought perhaps its discovery might have some commercial value, but now it is different. We know pretty well that nothing is to be gained by locating the pole beyond the satisfaction of a dulled curiosity, and the ambitions of the hunter. We can get on very well without the alleged "geographical and scientific

facts" to be adduced by the discovery. And we are tired of making heroes of the plain or garden chumps who go in search of the pole. Every man who wants to be a hero and break into print trots off to discover the north pole and comes back afterward and tells us how and why he failed; and will we make up a purse to send him again? Sure to find it this time! It's getting to be a nuisance. Let the old pole alone. Nobody wants it anyway.

There can be no question that the prevalence of certain diseases has increased during the last half century. Conspicuous among these are diabetes and insomnia, both of which are largely due to the mental stress of a harder struggle for existence. The increased consumption of alcohol and the free use of narcotics are also responsible for many morbid conditions unknown to our harder forbears. But, in comparing the present prevalence of diseases with that of the past there are several factors for which due allowance is often not made. One of these is that our forefathers died, as a rule, at a considerably younger age than their descendants; if they did not perish by the sword they were mowed down from time to time by the plague and other devastating epidemics. In this way they escaped many of the diseases not only of old age, but of advanced middle life. Again, it must not be forgotten that each generation represented to a much larger extent than is now the case the survival of the fittest. Most of the weaklings died in childhood. The triumph of modern hygiene is that it has preserved a large proportion of these lives.

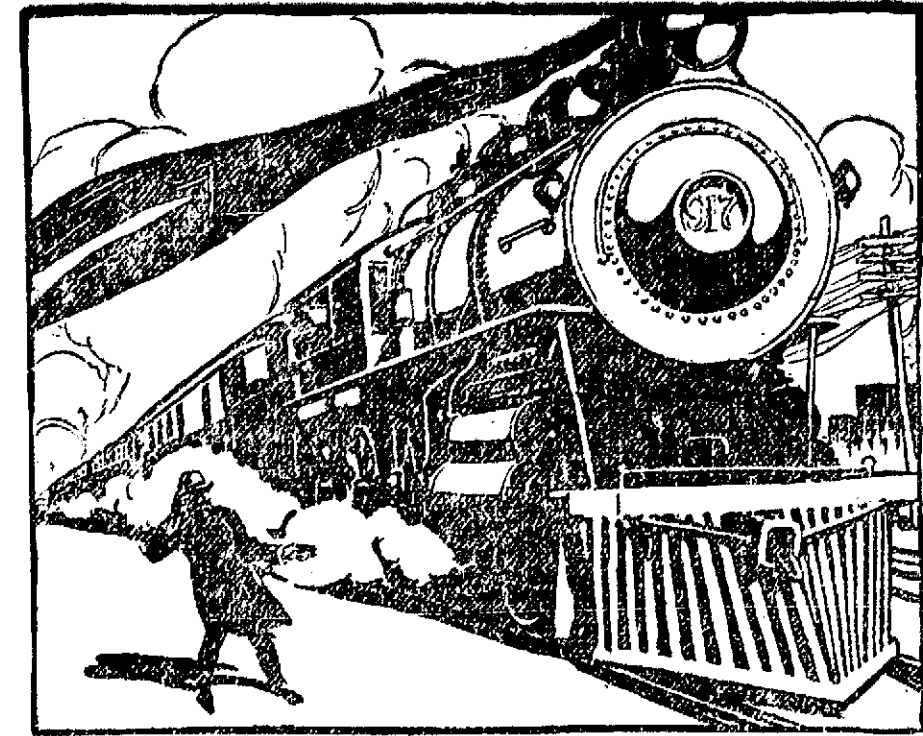
Boys in highway robbery, girls in wine rooms and dance halls. These are the spectacles that are sending sword thrusts of pain and grief into parental hearts all over the land this winter, and every winter and every season of every year in this and every land, and perhaps especially in this land, where parental authority is apt to relax and filial reverence to decline and youthful blood run riot in the quest for excitement, adventure, and fun. Every city is agitated over its boys and wild girls. What is to be said, what is to be done? In one of those powerful drawings with which John T. McCutcheon occasionally searches the secret heart of American life, the Chicago Tribune points out what it calls "the root of the boy burglar evil." Father and mother are portrayed at home, reading accounts of juvenile highwaymen in the evening paper and wondering where "Willie" is. The lesson is implied, but it is plain; a boy's parents should know where he spends his evenings and know that he spends them in right and proper ways. Sociology has run to seed in the propensity to attribute every individual action to the tendency of society. Not the drunkard is censurable, but only the saloon; not the man who gambles away his week's wages, but only the cards and the green table; not the girl who yields to some insistent ruffian, but the four walls and the furniture that were the scene of her ruin; not the boy that joins a bevy of evil companions, but the policeman on his block, or the yellow journal, or the divorce laws, or the straight front corset, or woman's clubs. No boy is ever caught in the meshes of the law under the impression that he was behaving himself. No girl is guiltless and innocent of heart who goes into a private room and drinks liquor with a strange man. That sound principles are not more fully understood and practiced by our youth is the fault of the father and mother, engrossed in business or pleasure to the exclusion of parental duties, such as the old Jewish, German and Puritan fathers were wont to discharge with such fidelity and good results. Children do not form a character and mold a destiny by chance. They must be trained; and there is no more crying need of the hour than the sense of parental responsibility. Men who look after their business with sedulous exactness, and women who have studied American leads and antique rugs and Italian marbles and Persian modes with infinite patience and care, discharge the solemn obligations of fatherhood and motherhood in a careless and haphazard sort of way. Out of such betrayal of the most sacred of trusts come the awful ruin of young lives. There are girls so trained that not all the wine rooms in the world could corrupt their virtue, and boys to whom a saloon and gambling house on every corner would be no temptation.

Baseball in Manila.
Manila has better baseball games than Atchison or Leavenworth; games played by army and navy teams maintained in the city by the government employees. It costs a dollar (native currency) to see these games, and the natives who attend know all the talk of the game, and become wildly excited in true American fashion. At a normal school I visited I found the school rooms full of catching masks, catching mitts and other baseball paraphernalia. The professors said the students played baseball with great enthusiasm and with considerable cleverness. As there is no winter here the game is played all the time. But I do not expect that American league clubs will ever draw on the Philippines for star players; the Filipino is not big enough to become a professional and not capable of sufficient exertion to meet the great climaxes of baseball. E. W. Howe, in the Atchison Globe.

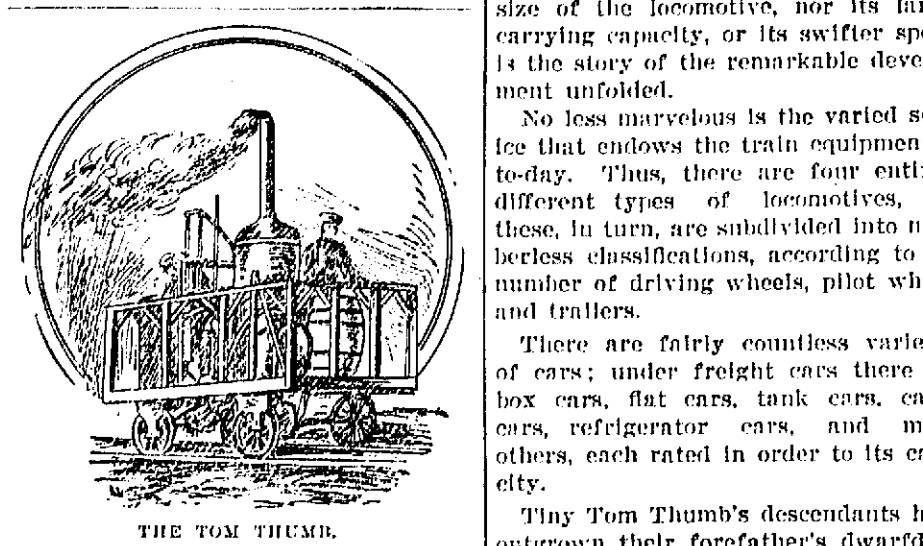
If a woman is sent for from another town to assist in curing for the sick, search her trunk carefully and you will find a party dress.

An Artist in Manners.
In all matters of sentiment the Arab's instinct is sure. If you can appeal to him on any ground of hospitality or generosity, says the author of "In the Desert," you have a hold on him.
It used to be the boast of Arab poetry in its best days that it "never

THE MODERN LOCOMOTIVE.

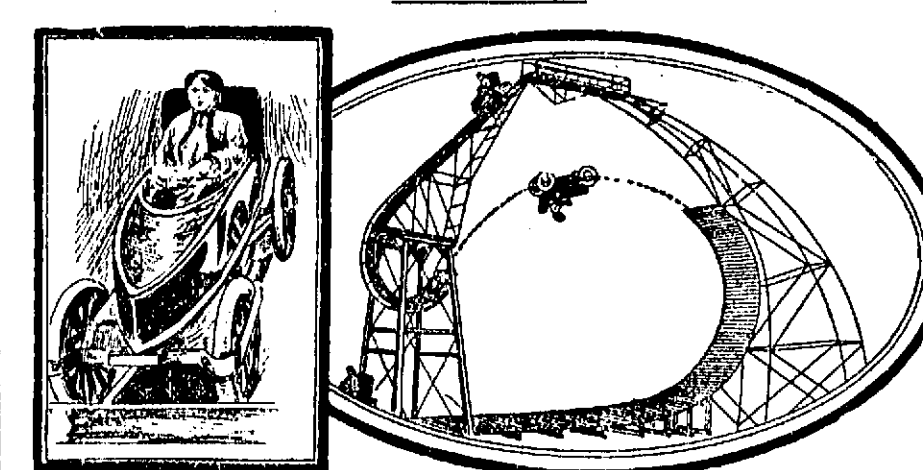


The fifty thousand locomotives of America are celebrating the birthday of their illustrious progenitor, the tiny "Tom Thumb," which was as diminutive in the race of the iron horse as was his equally renowned human prototype. Seventy-five years ago with much travail and trouble, was begotten and brought forth the little locomotive weighing four tons which has propagated a teeming stock of sleek, black, steel steeds, many 340,000 pounds each, which speed over the race courses of a continent on 213,904 miles of track. At its prodigious birth there seemed to be no good fairies to endow the new



invention with gifts either of beauty or power. Yet after all some benevolent godmother must have watched over its arrival and sped its course to good fortune, for while there were difficulties innumerable and undreamed of by its great father Peter Cooper, nevertheless they all were in time surmounted so that even during the life of this proud parent the strange little monster gave promise of future fame and usefulness. The primitive little boor of a Tom Thumb which Peter Cooper fathered seventy-five years ago signified not only a newly discovered and improved means of transportation; it was the medium of transforming isolation into populous cities. It opened up a close communication that brought New York

"CIRCLE OF DEATH" STUNT IS FATAL.



Mr. Maurice de Thiers, who received fatal injuries at Lisbon, Portugal, while doing her "circle of death" stunt in an American circus, was a Parisienne (the most daring performer of her class). The hair raising act consisted in running down a curving incline in an automobile with terrific speed and turning a somersault in the air as a gap of some fifty feet was leaped.

MASCULINE MIND IS MINOR.

Wife Has to Explain How She Knows When the Clock Stopped.
A Kansas City woman tells this story on her husband to demonstrate the inferiority of the masculine mind.
One morning as her husband was sitting down to the breakfast table he glanced at the dining room clock and said: "We must be later than usual this morning."
"Don't place too much confidence in that clock. It stopped at 5 o'clock this morning, and I just set it going by guess," replied the good wife.
"Were you up at 5 o'clock?" asked the husband.
"Of course not."
"What time did you say the clock stopped?"
"At 5."
"If you weren't up at 5," replied the man, with a puzzled look, "how in thunder do you know when the clock stopped?"
"Why, dear, it stayed stopped," was the reply. The man did not say another word that morning.—Kansas City Times.

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APPLE HAS A LONG DESCENT.

Traced Back to the Cave Dwellers of Swiss Lakes.
Among the fruits of the rose family are apples, pears, peaches, plums, cherries and quinces, as well as strawberries and blackberries. The apple is a fruit of long descent. Among the ruins of the Swiss lake dwellers are found remains of small seed apples which show the seed valves and the grains of flesh. The crab apple is a native of Britain and was the stock on which were grafted the choicest varieties when brought from Europe, chiefly France. Apples of some sort were abundant before the conquest and had been introduced probably by the Romans. Yet often as Saxon manuscripts speak of apples and cider there is no mention of named varieties before the thirteenth century. Then one may read of the pearmain and the costard, Chaucer's "mellow costard."
In the roll of household expenses of Eleanor, wife of Simon De Montfort, apples and pears are entered. In the year 1286 the royal fruiterer to Edward I. presents a bill for apples, pears, quinces, medlars and nuts. Pippins, believed to be seedlings, hence called from the pips or seeds, are said not to have been grown in England before 1525. The exact Drayton, writing of the orchards of Kent at that period, can name only the apple, the orange, the russeau, the sweeting, the pome water and the reinette.
John Winthrop is usually held responsible for the introduction of the apple into the New World. But as a matter of fact when Winthrop anchored off Cape Cod the reclusive Blackstone already has apple trees growing about his cabin at Shawmut Neck. Some of the best of American apples were brought over by the Huguenots, who settled in Friesland, L. I., in 1630, and planted there, among others, the pomme royale or spice apple.

Easy to See.
The Lady—You'll excuse me, but you don't travel on this car line often, do you, sir?
The Gentleman—No, madam. How do you know?
The Lady—You gave me your seat.
The Gentleman—And you don't travel on this line often yourself.
The Lady—What makes you think so?
The Gentleman—You thanked me.—Cleveland Leader.

A Little Sermon.
Who goes upon a lark at night.
Should heed this note of warning—
A lark at night won't prompt a wight
To rise with it next morning.
—Philadelphia Press.

SALT CORE

Like the running brook, the red blood that flows through the veins has to come from somewhere.
The springs of red blood are found in the soft core of the bones called the marrow and some say red blood also comes from the spleen. Healthy bone marrow and healthy spleen are full of fat.
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City of San Francisco Wrecked By Earthquake Shocks

SIX DIE AT THEIR POSTS

FATAL EXPLOSION ON U. S. KEARSARGE

Powder in Forward Turret of Battleship Ignites
During Target Practice—One Officer and Five
Killed—Another Officer May
Be Dead.

Guantanamo, (Cuba) April 14.—The United States battleship Kearsarge has arrived here. The casualties resulting from the explosion on board the vessel off Culebra Island, Friday, are reported to be as follows:

Two officers and five men killed and fourteen injured, eight of them seriously.

The bodies of the men killed will be buried in the naval cemetery here tomorrow.

Washington, April 14.—Two years ago to a day later than the fatal Missouri disaster, as every sailor immediately recalled, on a Friday and the thirteenth of the month, six men were done to death in the forward turret of the battleship Kearsarge by one of those accidents which acquire additional terror for sailors because of their obscure origin and almost impossibility of prevention.

The Atlantic fleet had been for weeks engaged in most severe drills in the waters of the Caribbean Sea, culminating in the quarterly target practice. This practice was just about concluding with most satisfactory results, up to yesterday, and it was confidently expected at the department upon the basis of preliminary reports received, that all records would be broken in the matter of rapidity or fire and efficiency of the gunners. But today, just at the close of the week's work at the department, came a cablegram from Rear-Admiral Evans, commanding the Atlantic fleet, telling of a dreadful accident on one of his best ships, the Kearsarge. The news came from Caimanera, a little cable station at the mouth of Guantanamo Bay, indicating that the Kearsarge itself had arrived at the place. A slight telegraphic error, requiring the consumption of some time to effect the deciphering of the message added to the anxiety of the officials as soon as they had made out the fact that a serious accident had occurred. When the message was finally reduced to form, it read as follows:

EVANS'S MESSAGE.

"CAIMANERA, April 14, 1906.—Secretary Navy, Washington. On April 13, about 3:15 p. m., shortly after completion target practice of Kearsarge, in forward turret while the powder was going below, three sections of a 13-inch charge of powder were ignited. Charge of powder in other lift just below and one section 13-inch remained intact. Cause unknown. Matter is being investigated. Lieut. Joseph M. Graeme, gun umpire, has been sent to the Maryland in very critical state, about 9 p. m. The following have since died:

"Lieut. John M. Hudgins, turret officer.

"Peter Norberg, gunner's mate.

"Theodore Nogeli, seaman.

"Anton G. Thorsen, seaman.

"Julius E. Koester, turret captain first class.

"Ellis H. Athy, seaman.

"W. King, ordinary seaman, was dangerously injured by accident, recovery doubtful.

"Will bury dead at Guantanamo.

"Vessel uninjured."

More Kearsarge Victims Reported.

Washington, April 17.—The navy department was advised today that two more deaths had occurred as the result of the explosion on the battleship Kearsarge last Friday.

They were Frederick Thomas Fisher, chief gunner's mate, and James S. McCurdie, electrician of the first class.

Fisher was a resident of San Francisco.

Next of kin is given on the records as Miss Minnie Fisher (Pisten) Buckworth rectory, Huntington, England.

McCurdie is a resident of New York.

FILIPINOS SLAUGHTER FOUR

Ladrones Attack Constabulary and Loss of Life
Results—Considered a Mere Incident.

Manila.—The headquarters of the Philippine constabulary at Malolos, island of Luzon, were attacked several days ago by a band of ladrones. Three native members of the constabulary and one ladrone were killed.

The affair creates no alarm here, where it is regarded merely as an incident of the effort to restore order through the employment of a native constabulary.

Similar conflicts between local outlaw bands are of more or less frequent occurrence.

HUNDREDS ARE REPORTED KILLED

Buildings Topple Over in Heart of Business District and Carry Down Their Neighbors to Destruction. Fire Adds to Horror.

FIRE DEPARTMENT UNABLE TO FIGHT FLAMES

Scenes That Beggar Description Are Being Enacted At the Morgues Where Frantic Thousands Are Fighting
to See the Dead, Seeking to Learn if Dear Ones Have Perished.

San Francisco, April 18.—San Francisco has been shaken by a terrific earthquake. Every building in the city has been more or less damaged. In the down town districts hardly a building escaped serious damage and hundreds of them are total wrecks, collapsed from the effects of the severe shaking-up they have sustained. Water mains broken and fire department powerless. Electric light and power wires disconnected. Also telephone and telegraph communication cut off.

Fires are burning everywhere and the fire department is powerless to combat the spread of the flames, owing to the bursting of the water mains under the streets. Hundreds of persons are reported killed in the cheap lodging house district south of Market street, where the old frame and brick structures toppled over and fell in like so many houses of cards, crushing the sleeping victims within.

The Examiner building has been badly wrecked, portions of it having succumbed to the shock and tottered to the ground. The Call building suffered an even worse fate, and is almost a complete wreck. Across the street from the Los Angeles Examiner Bureau, on Third street, not a single building has been left untouched, the tallest building in the block having toppled over, carrying destruction to its neighbors in its fall.

More than one hundred dead are reported in the lodging houses on Mission street where the fire is raging. The buildings there are a heap of ruins and there is no way of telling how far the flames will go before they can be checked. Those who were not killed by falling timbers are burned to death. The Examiner News Service Bureau was put out of service after the first shock. The big structure alongside of it fell upon it. The operators and others escaped with their lives.

CAN SAVE THE NATION IN TIME OF WAR

Letters to, from and in care of Senator Perkins indicate the probability of a new honor for California, distinction no less than that of acting as backbone for the nation in time of war.

Heretofore the United States has had to depend on Chile for its supply of niter in the manufacture of gun powder, and the fact has not brought joy to the government at Washington. Not only has this dependence on another country been deplored, but kept as secret as possible, nothing being published even concerning appropriations for the purchase of niter. Now great beds of niter have been

Not a building in the city has escaped some damage and it will be hours before any adequate idea of the extent of the damage can be known.

Even where the fire department is not crippled by the bursting of the mains it is impossible to reach the fires as the streets are impassable and in several instances the engine houses are destroyed.

The Hobart building, Nos. 523-285 Market street toppled over on the Postal Telegraph office, stopping all messages out of the city by that company for the time being. After the first panic was passed it was found that the roof and the top story of the Hobart building had fallen on the Postal office, but that the Postal service was not destroyed entirely. At the present moment there is one Postal wire working out of the city.

The Merchants' Exchange Building is so badly shattered that no one dares go near it and it is feared that it will collapse at any moment.

A hurried survey of the city shows the damage to be so widespread and extensive that it is impossible at this moment to tell the full measure of the ruin.

After the first stunning effect of the shock had passed the cooler heads began to think of those in the debris or in peril from the flames and bands of volunteers rescuers went to work with whatever means there were at hand. The progress was slow but in many cases effective.

The public are doing everything possible to save life and no idlers are permitted on the streets. Every man who is able to work is pressed into service to assist in rescuing the dying and wounded from the wreckage that lies in every direction.

The toll of life will be fearful. Every minute reports of lives lost are coming in, but they are so confused and conflicting that it is not possible to verify them accurately. The fear is that most of these reports are true.

discovered in Death Valley, and State Mineralogist Aubrey has called the attention of Senator Perkins to the discovery and correspondence between the state, the senator and Director Walcott of the government geological survey has followed. Aubrey has made an investigation limited by small appropriation, and Walcott has considered the field but done nothing for the same reason, and both state and government have been handicapped by lack of railroad facilities. Now that the Santa Fe's Tonopah and Tidewater branch has progressed to Soda Lake and the junction of the Salt Lake railroad,

ANOTHER SHOCK AT 8:15

San Francisco, April 18.—Another awful earthquake shook the city at 8:15. The entire population is in a panic. Not a street car running. All power is gone.

THIRD SHOCK—HORROR INCREASES

San Francisco, April 18, 9 a. m.—A third shock upheaved the stricken city at 8:45 o'clock. Measures are appearing in many of the main streets. At least fifty large blocks are in ruins, others utterly demolished, and damage in estimable.

CITY HALL DOME FALLS IN.

San Francisco, April 18, 10:30 a. m.—Fourth shock visits stricken city. Fire rages throughout business section. Dynamite used by firemen to fight flames. Wind is blowing a gale. Call building a mass of flames. Examiner building in grave danger.

FIFTH SHOCK HAS COME.

San Francisco, April 18, 10:30 a. m.—A fifth shock has come. Another shock means almost total destruction of city, so many buildings are weakened.

The entire forces at the Presidio and Fort Mason have been ordered out to guard property and preserve order. Mechanics Pavilion is being used as a morgue. Over 400 dead bodies have already been taken from the ruins. Palace Hotel is reported consumed by flames.

SALINAS LIKE A BRICKYARD.

Salinas, April 18.—The main street of this city at this moment has more the appearance of a brickyard than that of a prosperous city. Not a building has escaped damages, and many have totally collapsed.

SAN JOSE IN RUINS.

San Jose, April 18.—A private message to the Western Union Telegraph Company from a point 17 miles from San Jose, states that all of the brick buildings in San Jose are in tumbled ruins and scores of lives are lost.

The State Asylum at Napa is totally wrecked and half of the inmates are killed.

The chief obstacle is disappearing and Director Walcott says he believes the government will be able to make a survey, although the expense still will be heavy; not only will it necessitate the services of a geologist, but a chemist with an outfit for field determination of the composition of the different salts and nitrates. An examination of the nitrate deposits is promised by the government this year.

Governor of Kiangsi Dismissed.

The Morning Post's correspondent at Shanghai telegraphs that an imperial decree has been issued dismissing Ho Ting Kuo, governor of Kiangsi for his connection with the recent murder of French missionaries.

Hens should receive plenty of exercise when laying the eggs you intend to set.

RUSSIA'S LOAN SAVES THE DAY

AMOUNT WILL TIDE HER OVER FOR TWO YEARS

Premier Witte Has Upper Hand of Minister of the Interior Durnovo. Downfall of the Latter Is Certain.

St. Petersburg, April 17.—The successful negotiation of a foreign loan of \$150,000,000, rumors as are the rates which Russia is obliged to pay for the money, extricates the government from much of its embarrassment and enables it to clear the decks of the accumulation of debts and furnishes the cash necessary to keep above water at least for two years, irrespective of the attitude of the national parliament. Premier Witte is greatly encouraged by the outlook. The Associated Press is in a position to confirm the report that Premier Witte now has definitely got the upper hand of Minister of the Interior Durnovo.

Downfall Matter of Few Days.

The downfall of the latter is a matter of only days or weeks at the most, is Emperor Nicholas has promised to dismiss him before the national parliament meets.

The Associated Press learns authoritatively that unless the unexpected happens it is the government's intention to allow the parliament to sit two months before the summer vacation and reconvene it at the end of September.

The opposition and especially the revolutionists are correspondingly crestfallen over the decision of foreign bankers to come to the government's rescue in the present crisis.

California Items of Interest.

Visalia now has a population of over 4,000.

There is a land boom northeast of Lindsay, Tulare county.

Chas. F. Shinn, supervisor of the Sierra Forest reserve states that the department has increased the number of sheep to be pastured in the reserve from 15,000 to 20,000.

Our wheat farmers say that the stand of grain this year at this time is in better condition than during any years since 1884.—Lindsay Gazette.

The condition of the fruit crop around Marysville is in doubt. Most of the orchardists report that almonds are all gone, apricots nearly so and peaches more than half destroyed.

What at first seemed to be a very promising season now looks like one of poor crops, and the only consolation at hand is in the hope that the price will be greater on account of the shortage.

It is believed by many that the present year will be the greatest in the history of California for the citrus industry. It is confidently believed that growers will bank from \$18,000,000 to \$20,000,000 after all expenses of freight and icing charges are paid.

The doleful fruit growers of the Eastern states are threatened with a light crop this season. The warm weather in February started the buds and the stretch of March winter froze them off.

A hundred cars of oranges blocked by the slide on the S. P. between the Tehachapi and Bakersfield had to be shipped back to Los Angeles last week, re-loaded, and sent north again over the Coast line.

At a meeting of Dinuba raisin growers, held last week, a pool of one thousand tons of fruit was sold under three year contract at 34 cents to packers. This is the first contract, it is claimed, for a large amount made by packers for over a year and indicates the activity that characterizes the market and the prospects for still higher figures.

The most serious pest in California is the potato worm. The damage to the potato crop in California, as estimated on a basis of opinions obtained from a large number of growers and dealers, aggregates in some sections fully 25 per cent. In one section where some of the finest potatoes are grown, the Salinas valley, the dealers estimate that at times the loss has gone as high as 10,000 sacks in a single year. Cal. Cultivator.

Supreme Court Adjournment.

Washington. Chief Justice Fuller announced in the supreme court of the United States that the court would adjourn for the term on May 25. In the meantime the call of the docket will be suspended for the term on the 27th, and a recess of two weeks will be taken on the 29th inst.

Mate your best stock a few days before selecting eggs for setting and you will be more sure of getting fertile eggs, and of the desired mating.

OFFICIALS SEIZE SMUGGLED GOODS

SEVERAL BOXES NABBED AT BAKERSFIELD

Officers and Sailors of the Battleship Oregon Forward Goods Secured in the Orient to Eastern Friends.

Bakersfield.—The goods which were smuggled from the Orient by the battleship Oregon last week have been intercepted in this city, and last evening United States Customs Inspector Bohan arrived from San Francisco to take charge of the contraband articles.

The customs officials at San Francisco got on track of the goods and found that they had been delivered by the Oceanic Transfer company of San Francisco to the Santa Fe. The assistance of the officials of the railroad was secured and Agent Shick of the local office received instructions to hold the cars in which the goods were shipped when they passed into the local yards on their way east.

Small Boxes in Three Cars.

The boxes, rather small in size, were distributed throughout three cars. This afternoon Agent Shick and Inspector Bohan singled them out from the rest of the articles in the cars. They will be returned to San Francisco for future action. Mr. Bohan was detailed by the San Francisco office on the case and will probably leave for the north tomorrow.

The smuggled cases were all consigned to eastern destinations and Inspector Bohan is under the impression that the articles are gifts sent from officers and sailors on board the vessel to friends and relatives in the east. Some of the boxes are consigned to officers and paymasters in the army and navy.

TO BUY BIG COAST LINE

PACIFIC COAST COMPANY IS IN IMPORTANT DEAL

Eastern Road Said to Be Figuring for Franchise of Western Corporation to Furnish Terminals

New York.—The Wall Street Journal says:

"A banker who is closely in touch with the development of the Pacific Coast company states that there are excellent reasons for believing that control of the Pacific Coast company will be found ultimately to rest in the hands of the St. Paul road."

"The St. Paul extension to the coast is to find its western terminus at Seattle. While the St. Paul owns considerable land in Seattle, the real key to the terminal situation in that growing city is held by the Pacific Coast system of railroads, steamship lines and coal fields would provide the St. Paul with a western coal supply and would give it freight leaders along the Pacific coast."

CAN TELEPHONE 3000 MILES

Prisco Engineer Discovers Way by Which Conversation May Be Carried on Across Continent.

San Francisco.—David C. St. Charles, an engineer of this city, has invented a repeater which will make it possible to telephone from here to New York. What the so-called "repeater" has done for telegraphy, St. Charles' invention, it is now claimed, has done for the telephone.

The combining of the echo in nature with the sounding board of a violin furnished the clue to the discovery, according to a statement of St. Charles.

Vesuvius Is Quiet.

Naples, April 16. The condition of Mount Vesuvius is unchanged today.

The volcano is still surrounded by a thick cloud of smoke, but ashes have almost ceased to fall. Professor Martucci today said that while all danger appeared to be over, the normal condition of the volcano would not be re-established for several weeks. Bodies are still being exhumed from the ruins at Ottaviano and San Giuseppe.

Heavy Agricultural Exports.

Washington. According to a bulletin issued by the department of commerce and labor, the total value of agricultural products exported from the United States for eight months of the fiscal year 1906, ending with February, 1906, was \$700,000,000, as against \$58,000,000, in the same period of 1905.

A Fresno dispatch says: There is a prospect of a big shortage in the peach crop. In the San Joaquin valley the ravages of the blight are expected to reduce the yield one-third.

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Church News

An offering will be taken in Holy Trinity Church on Sunday morning for the benefit of the homeless and destitute of San Francisco.

Presbyterian services: Morning services in Woman's Club House. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. and preaching at 11. Evening services in Reed's Hall. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 and preaching at 7:30 p. m. Dr. Gage will preach both morning and evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all who can do so to worship with us.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, Isaac Jewell, D. D., pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m.; Junior League 3 p. m.; Epworth League 6:30 p. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "Our Commonwealth's Dignity"; evening, "History of Great Earthquakes and Their Lessons." Strangers are specially invited to worship with us. The Epworth League extends a kind invitation to meet with them.

Sunday services at Covina Christian Church. Sunday school 9:45. Preaching morning and evening by pastor J. W. Utter. Morning subject, "Receive Not the Grace of God in Vain." Junior League 3 p. m. Union meeting of Presbyterian and Christian C. E. Societies at Christian Church 6:30 to 7:30. A number of the county C. E. officers will be present and give addresses at Endeavor hour. Special music. Evening subject, "Lessons from the Great Earthquake Disaster."

Services in the Church of the Holy Trinity: First Sunday after Easter. Holy Communion 7:30 a. m. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Morning Prayer 11 o'clock. Subject of sermon, "The Results of Easter to the World." Eensong, 7:30 p. m., subject, "The Realization of the Invisible." The Easter music will be repeated, the anthems being "Hallelujah, Christ is Risen" and "Why Seek Ye the Living Among the Dead?"

Topic for Epworth League tomorrow evening, "Our Resources in Service." Leader, Cecil Hamilton.

Baptist services: Preaching by pastor Geo. W. Taylor at both services. Sunday school at 10 and preaching at 11 a. m. and B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. In church building. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. in Woman's Club House. Special features, illustrated song, "The Tie That Binds," 25 views from life and new stereoscopic views and tours of foreign travel. Seats free and everybody invited. Come early as nobody will be admitted during the illustrated service.

Visit From Ontario Library Trustees.

On Wednesday the trustees of the Ontario public library, accompanied by the librarian, Mike Monroe, visited the Covina library in a body, with a view of securing ideas for their own library building, which they expect to erect in the near future in their beautiful little city, having received an appropriation of \$10,000 from Mr. Carnegie for that purpose.

They were very outspoken in their approval of the exterior appearance and interior arrangements of the Covina building, which has been pronounced by the Library Commission of the United States as one of the prize library buildings of the State of California.

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Notice.

Notice of hearing petition for the vacation and abandonment of Badillo avenue, in the Covina Road District, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that the petition of F. E. Wolforth, et al., for the vacation and abandonment of Badillo avenue, in Covina Road District, County of Los Angeles, State of California, from the west line of Hollenbeck street to the west boundary line of the Phillips tract, as per map recorded in Book 9, page 4, Miscellaneous Records of said county, has been filed with the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, California, and the hearing of the same fixed by said Board for May 8, 1906, at 10 o'clock a. m.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, California, made April 16, 1906.

C. G. KEYES,
County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.
By A. M. McPherron, Deputy Clerk. 5-5

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For full particulars see J. H. Matthews, the real estate man.

The W. O. W.'s will give a dance in the Opera Hall next Saturday evening.

Assessment Notice.

Covina Irrigating Company, principal place of business, Covina, Rowland Township, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors, held on the fourth day of April, 1906, an assessment (No. 41) of 100 cents per share was levied upon the capital stock (as increased October 22nd, 1886) of the above named corporation, payable at once to B. F. Edwards, secretary of said corporation, at the secretary's office in Covina, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 8th day of May, 1906, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 31st day of May, 1906, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the office of the company in Covina, County of Los Angeles, State of California, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with cost of advertising and expense of sale.

B. F. Edwards, Secretary.
Covina, Cal.

Assessment Notice.

Columbia Land & Water Company, location of principal place of business, Covina, California.

Notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the board of directors of the Columbia Land & Water Company, held on April 9th, an assessment of 150 cents per share was levied on the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately in lawful money of the United States of America to the secretary of the corporation at his office in Covina, California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 14th day of May, 1906, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 4th day of June, 1906, at 8 p. m., to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the cost of advertising and expense of sale.

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Covina Is Generous.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning a call came from the San Francisco relief committee at Los Angeles for help. By some misunderstanding it was given out that we were to have all things ready at 10 o'clock and a great many people could not get around in time and didn't have a chance to contribute. But at 5 o'clock our Covina relief car was loaded with 22 boxes of lemons, 125 boxes of groceries, 40 sacks of flour, 2 sacks of sugar and 107 bales and bundles of clothes and bedding, and the Southern Pacific Company agreed to put it through for us on express time, free of cost.

Mr. Hickson of the Southern Pacific Company has wired us for more help. They have established a headquarters at the Chamber of Commerce building in Los Angeles, where those passing can have a chance to contribute their mite, no matter how small. As these accumulate they will be set aside to help fill a car.

We want to get off a car of lemons from Covina next week. All parties willing to give lemons will please phone us or send us a card and we will see that they are properly boxed and cared for. Messrs. Clapp and Houser have kindly consented to allow us the use of the vacant building on the corner of Citrus and Badillo avenues, formerly the Bell & Ostrander store, and all persons having clothing or bedding or anything they wish to donate for this great cause can have a chance to leave it here, where it will receive proper care. Let us not get weary in well doing. Our people have responded nobly and generously, but take this message home to yourselves: Suppose it were you and your children, could people do too much for you? Don't feel bad because some one asks you to help. You won't miss it next day. Let us all do more than our share and don't see or care how little some one else does. We are all busy and have more work at home than we can attend to, but don't forget the widows and orphans and men who are fighting against hope without money or food, and when they get through they will not have accomplished anything and still be hungry and penniless. Won't you help?

J. O. Houser
Clarence Allison
H. J. Brittain
Relief Committee

Help for Sufferers.

To the citizens of Covina and vicinity:

As appeals are being made all over Southern California for aid to the sufferers of the San Francisco disaster, we point with pardonable pride to the manner in which our citizens responded to the call for aid. We were indeed handicapped by time, however we succeeded in getting together and shipping by S. P. train last night about six hundred dollars worth of groceries, provisions, cured meats, bedding, clothing, fruit, etc.

And as we have been appealed to again, we have decided to send another carload of the same description on Tuesday, April 24th. As there is a shortage of bread, we earnestly ask the ladies of Covina and vicinity to bake as much bread as possible and deliver it to the old Hall & Ostrander store on the corner of Badillo and Citrus avenues, not later than 12 o'clock noon of April 24th. Anything in the line of groceries, provisions, cured meats, bedding, clothing, fruit, etc., will be very acceptable.

Signed
J. O. Houser,
Clarence Allison,
H. J. Brittain
Relief Committee.

Telegram from Governor.

How many people can you take care of in your community? Need is great. Take as many as you can. Answer immediately.

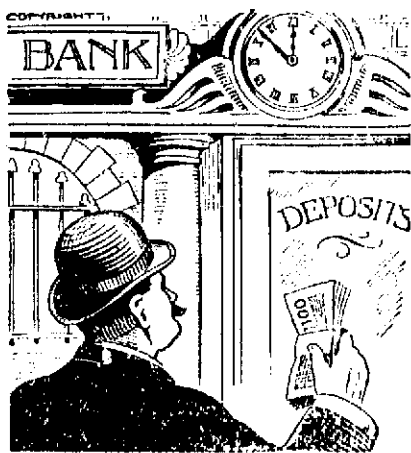
GEO. C. PARDEE,
Governor of California.
The Covina committee sent a reply that they would care for 100 people. Leave your names and the number of people whom you can accommodate with H. J. Brittain or C. F. Clepp.
Relief Committee.

Pardee Banquet Postponed.

On account of the San Francisco disaster, Governor Pardee will be unable to pay his visit to Covina on next Tuesday as planned. It is expected that he will be here at some future date, and the banquet to have been given in his honor has been indefinitely postponed.

Track Meet Today.

Today the tri-cornered track meet of Azusa, Bonita and Covina High Schools is scheduled to be pulled off at Azusa on their new athletic field. For the last few years Covina has been doing a little along this line, but owing to lack of proper grounds for training and equipment have been greatly handicapped. Both Bonita and Citrus have good men and are in the best of condition but Covina hopes to make a showing to be proud of. During the past week of training good form has been shown in nearly all the events. The men representing Covina will be Platt, E. Hamilton, Douglas, Reed, C. Hamilton, Fairly, Chapman, Winder and Ward.



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Small Blaze.

Our town folk were called out Thursday, shortly before the noon hour, by the fire alarm. A gasoline stove in the screen porch at the Methodist parsonage had exploded and the flames reached the roof of the building before the stove could be thrown outside. The fire here was quickly connected but it seems the water had been turned off the plug. By the time a connection was made with another plug the blaze had been extinguished by the use of a garden hose and buckets.

Rev. I. Jewell and family are very gratified to their neighbors for responding so swiftly, thus avoiding a serious disaster.

Arbor Day.

Arbor day was observed by our schools yesterday with appropriate exercises. The following program was rendered at the High School auditorium: Song by the school; song by nine girls, garlanded in flowers, words being composed by Harry Brandt; song by quartet, Messrs. McLeod and Utter and Messrs. King and Neil; address by Rev. Mr. Gage; ten minute speeches by Rev. Utter, Prof. Babcock of Berkeley, Rev. I. Jewell, Rev. Taylor and C. E. Bemis. The students and visitors then proceeded to the school grounds where each class planted a tree in its memory. The following class presidents made appropriate speeches for the occasion: 9th grade, Harry Neil; 10th grade, Gladys Raskin; 11th grade, Wallace Reed; 12th grade, Howard Douglas.

Mrs. E. S. Robinson and children left this week for Hanford where they will spend a couple months with Mr. Robinson.

Earthquakes.

This is genuine tremor weather. And the earth trembled. The shock that laid the northern metropolis low was hardly felt in Southern California.

Five or six slight shocks Wednesday night and Thursday morning, with more severe ones Friday night, helped us to sympathize with those that have gone through the real thing.

A number of telegrams were received in town inquiring concerning the safety of persons visiting here.

Our eastern friends do not realize that we are over 500 miles from the scene of the tremor.

There is no record of a death or serious damage caused by an earthquake in Los Angeles or vicinity.

The editor of this paper left for San Francisco on the special train which left Los Angeles Wednesday afternoon. The following has been received from him.

Thursday—We have just left Lathrop where the first evidences of the earthquake are apparent. At the railway station a forty thousand gallon water tank felt the earthquake's touch and fell over like a drunken man to the ground. Other evidences of disturbances are all around us and every precaution is being taken to secure safety. I think the reports have been somewhat exaggerated, especially concerning the loss of life. The trains are crowded with business men. Some are returning home to their families. Most of them give evidences of determination and courage characteristic of the true American everywhere. Many of them have lost all financially. Some saved a little in the bank vaults, all of which are reported safe.

Young People Married.

A pretty wedding took place on Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock at the Methodist Church, when Miss Lizzie Graham, the only daughter of Mrs. Robert Taylor, was united in marriage to Mr. Menzies Ames of Vineland, Rev. J. W. Utter. The bride was attired in a gown of white silk, with a wreath of orange blossoms and a bridal veil, and carried a bouquet of white carnations and sprays of ferns. The bridal couple were attended by Miss Etta Crouse as bridesmaid and Raymond Crouse as best man. The little Misses Elsie Asher and Emily McKee were flower girls.

The young married couple left immediately for Los Angeles by way to Monrovia on a brief wedding tour.

National Baptist Convention.

The National Baptist Convention will convene in Los Angeles, Sept. 16, 1906. For this occasion the Santa Fe will sell tickets from the East to Los Angeles and San Francisco at half rates. Write to your friends.

Summer Excursions.

During the entire summer, June 1 to Sep. 15, 1906, the Santa Fe will sell first class round trip tickets to San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego and return at \$75 from Chicago \$96 from St. Louis; \$80 from Kansas City. Return limit Oct. 31, 1906.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Thorpe received a telegram from their sister, Ellen Beach Yaw, saying she would arrive here May 3rd.

Dr. J. D. Reed returned yesterday from Huntville, Mo., where he was called by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. T. B. Reed, who passed away before her son arrived.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. R. C. Clark entertained a party of little girls in honor of the eighth birthday of her little daughter Margery. The guests were Imogene Arthur, Helen Broadwell, Grace Chapman, Augusta Judd, Lucille and Genevieve Matthews, Hazel Potter, Bertha Rich, Muriel and Gwendolen Sherwood, Phyllis Brunjes, Myrtle Daniels, Margaret Thorne, Violet Tucker, and Lewis Clark. The afternoon was spent in games and songs, after which dainty refreshments were served.

You may hear of

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chestnut,
butternut

and a great many other kinds of "nutty" bread, but those who want the best and most of it for the money, come to us to get it. The quality of bread depends on the local baker and his oven and not on any copyrighted name he may have purchased or stolen.

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"Where is that sugar barrel, madame? Where is that sugar barrel?" exclaimed the genial Pa Jones, excitedly, as he rushed down cellar and then dashed up again. "What have you done with it? Have you been chopping it up to start the fire in the gas stove? Have you been giving it to the Smiths for an ash receiver? Why don't you leave things alone? Why don't you keep your claws off of my personal property? You can't keep anything in this house! You can't even keep your temper! If you don't—"

"What is the matter with you now, you amiable old grouch?" interrupted Ma, with a fierce glare at the palpitating Pa. "What makes you act so heavenly? What makes you act so much like a yap-faced Jones? What—"

"What do you suppose is the matter with me, sweet angel? What do you suppose is the matter with me?" broke in Pa, explosively. "Can't you see that I am agitated? Can't you see that I am hot in the collar? Can't you see that I am mad? Where is that barrel? Why don't you confess? Why don't you plead guilty and throw yourself on the mercy of the Court? Why don't you—"

"What do you want that barrel for, you silly sinner?" queried Ma, with a quizzical look at her lord and master. "What do—"

"There you go again, Mrs. Jones! There you go again! Was the shoutful rejoinder of the steamful Pa. "You are just like a Smith! You ask more foolish questions than a sewing society! You spout more irrelevant talk than a dude debate! Why don't you pause and consider? Why don't you stop and guess? Why don't you stop the rattle of your tongue so that you can hear the buzz of your wisdom wheels? Would any thoughtful person think that I wanted that sugar barrel to make a seesaw for your dear mother and little Fido? Would any person capable of conjecture imagine for one moment that I wanted that sugar barrel for a watch charm? Not on your life, lovey-dovey! Not on your life! They would know at once that I wanted to use it to make snowshoes! They would know—"

"Snowshoes!" ejaculated Ma, with amazed emotion. "Have you gone real batty? Are you jogging along the daffy route? What in the world do you want snowshoes for? What—"

"You are certainly the limit, madame! You are certainly the limit!" was the barkful response of Pa. "You have got a civil service examiner bent on a mile down the boulevard! What do you suppose I want snowshoes for? What would any sane man do with snowshoes? Can't you hear the beautiful white splashing against the window panes? Can't you hear the wind howling like a prating political orator? Didn't you read the weather reports? Don't you know that snow is going to be piled up around here to-morrow morning like the gold surplus in the national treasury? Haven't you heard of the Laplanders? Haven't you heard of the Greenlanders? Don't you know that they cannot saunter along the snowful in society slippers? Don't you know that they have shoes big enough to dodge patent corn cure? Why don't you improve your mind and get wise? Why don't you put something solid in your dome that gossip cannot crowd out? Where is that sugar barrel? Where did you say that—"

"For heaven's sake shut up!" shouted Ma, wrathfully. "You make more noise than the crows in your Cousin Hez's cornfield! I should think that you would be afraid that your talk would wear out your teeth! I should think that—"

"Never mind what you think, woman! Never mind what you think!" thundered Pa, in a sizzled voice. "Your opinion doesn't cut any ice in the council! You can't Susan B. Anthony this convention! I want that sugar barrel, and I want it quick! This snow business is getting deeper every minute, and I don't purpose to dig my way out of this happy home when I can walk out! I don't purpose to—"

"Of course you don't, you sap-headed hero!" said the indignant Ma, with considerable heat. "You want to make a monkey of yourself! You want everybody to know what a beautiful lunatic you are! But don't you think that I care? Don't you think that I am going to sob for you? You will find your barrel in the cellar where you fell over it a dozen times! You will find it just where you kicked it for revenge when you bumped your old bald pate on the beams while carrying up coal!"

With this the petulant Ma majestically swept from the room, followed by little Fido, and a few minutes later the sound of a hammer and the rumble of Jones' eloquence plainly indicated that Pa was working on the wonderful shoes.

"Hurry down, Mary! Hurry down!" was the cheery chirp of the happy Pa at the foot of the stairs early the next morning. "I want you to see a real Laplander skedaddle around on snowshoes! I want you to see what a sweet and joyous thing inventive genius is! I want you—"

"Gee whizz, Ben Jones!" exclaimed Ma, incredulously. "Do you mean to tell me that you are going into the street with those barrel staves strapped to your feet? Do you mean to tell me that you are going to give a free show for the whole thoroughfare? You ought to be put in a padded cell! You ought to—"

"You are jealous, ducky dear! You are jealous!" returned Pa, with a condescending glance at his little Mary. "You are kinky in the temper because you can't do the trick! You are peevish because you and all the rest of the Smiths have to paddle around in gum-boots!"

So saying Pa started for the door with all the captivating grace of a mauve-colored cow trying to dance the minuet, while the merciless Ma continued to chide him in her sweet, wifely way.

He managed to get off the porch all right, and also successfully negotiated the sidewalk, but when the sanguine Laplander attempted to cross the street his ward went Democratic.

Through some omission there wasn't a mutual understanding as to which way his feet should go, and when one started east and the other steered west there was only one thing Pa could do, and he did it.

Down he went with a bumpful thud, and at the end of a spasmodic ten minutes he was still there, for with those barrel staves on his shanks Pa couldn't get sufficient hold to rise.

"Help, Mary! Help!" shrieked the struggling Henry, as he glared wild-eyed down the street. "Save me! Save me! Here comes a trolley! Give me a lift! Throw me a life preserver! Chuck me a—"

"Help yourself, you hayseed hecker!" was the unsympathetic rejoinder of Ma. "I told you not to growl at the visitors! I told you not to leave your cage! It would serve you just right if you did get hit by a trolley!"

Fortunately a kindly cop happened along at that anxious moment, and Pa was released from his perilous predicament only to meet more trouble, for hardly had he returned to the house before the neighbors had to stuff cotton in their ears and pound on the piano to drown the sound of the Jones riot.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

HOW TO GAIN IN HEIGHT.

Machine to Stretch the Body—Will It Stay Stretched?

Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? Is a question contained in Christ's sermon on the Mount which has generally been regarded as unanswerable, says the New York Tribune. The Hebrew cubit was equal to about twenty-two inches, and the problem involved in making such a gain as that was enough to discourage any one. But there are two men in Colorado to-day who by taking thought have contrived a machine by which, they declare, a gratifying number of inches may be added to the height of any person who will be satisfied with something less than a foot. The originators of this method are Prof. David B. Cropp, former physical director of the State University of Colorado, and Fordyce P. Cleaves, of Denver.

In using this body-extending machine the patient lies down upon the framework and is securely fastened to it by straps around the head and feet. At his right hand there is a lever by which he extends the machine and thus submits his body to whatever extreme of stretching he desires, using the lever to apply more power or relieve the strain at will. The machine extends like a dining table, from the middle both ways, and by means of the straps around head and feet the pressure is applied evenly along the body.

The user submits himself to whatever stretching force he wishes and takes the exercise as often as he pleases and for as long. The best results have been attained when the pressure is applied daily for periods of thirty minutes at a time. The idea is that the patient shall have a machine in his room and take the stretching each night before retiring. The construction of the machine is calculated to draw out the spine and hold it extended sufficiently long for nature to start building, to conform with the new situation. Persisting in the exercise for three months is deemed sufficient to bring results. Some persons have their height increased two to three inches, the inventors declare.

No Holiday.

People have different ideas as to what constitutes a holiday—or a vacation. Mrs. Pettis had her own firmly fixed opinions on the subject.

"I don't count Thanksgiving or Christmas or Washington's Birthday or any of those holidays," she said, frankly, to an old friend one day. "What I count a holiday is when Ezra and Jim and Bob and Laphiel go off up to the wood lot with their dinner, and I know they won't be back till night."

"I'm not one to deny that men folks have their good points, but how any woman can call it a holiday when they're in the house, eating for food by looks when they aren't by words, is beyond me!"

Thinning Down the Congregation. "I notice that the Rev. Dr. Mills says it's wrong to go to church in an automobile."

"I s'pose he's thinkin' of the churchgoers on foot who are likely to be run over before the automobile gets there."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Philosophy.

Miss Emerson: Have you read Kant? Miss Addison: No, but I've read "Don't."—Cleveland Leader.

One of these days some man will be killed by his wife, and she will confess that she did it because, though patient and tender every time he complained, when she got sick he always said: "Oh, you just imagine you are."

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Ar. in Los Angeles	9:30	8:26	10:08	2:08	5:40

FROM LOS ANGELES

STATIONS	No. 8 Over-land	No. 42 Local	No. 44 Local Daily	No. 4 Limited	No. 2 Over-land
	a. m.	a. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.
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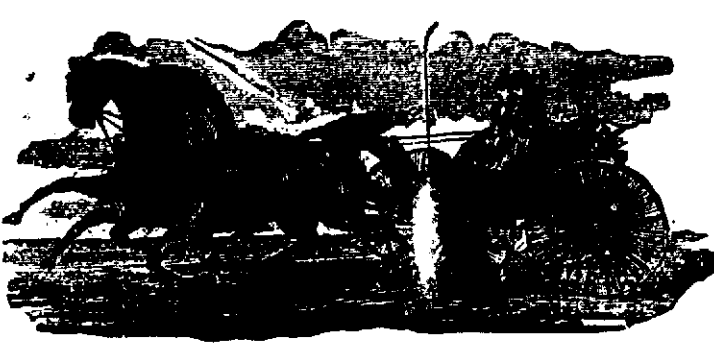
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OLD Favorites

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On Linden, when the sun was low,
All bloodless lay the untrodden snow,
And dark as winter was the flow
Of Isser, rolling rapidly.

But Linden saw another sight
When the drum beat, at the dead of night,
Commanding fires of death to light
The darkness of her scenery.

By torch and trumpet fast arrayed,
Each horseman drew his battle-blade,
And furious every charger neighed,
To join the dreadful revelry.

Then shook the hills with thunder riven,
Then rushed the steed to battle driven,
And louder than the bolts of heaven,
Far flashed the red artillery.

But redder yet that light shall glow
On Linden's hills of stained snow,
And bloodier yet the torrent flow
Of Isser, rolling rapidly.

'Tis morn, but scarce you level sun
Can pierce the war clouds, rolling dun,
Where furious Frank and fiery Hun,
Shout in their sulphurous canopy.

The combat deepens. On, ye brave!
Who rush to glory or to grave!
Wave, Munich! all thy banners wave,
And charge with all thy chivalry!

Few, few shall part where many meet;
The snow shall be their winding sheet,
And every turf beneath their feet
Shall be a soldier's sepulcher.
—Thomas Campbell.

ONCE UPON A TIME.

First Railroad Train Isn't So Old as Youngsters Sometimes Think.

Did you go to the St. Louis fair? If you did, and you failed to see the railroad exhibit you missed a wonderfully interesting part of "the show." You missed seeing what may be called the evolution or development of that wonderful invention, the railroad engine. The trouble is that the boys and girls of to-day are so accustomed to the railroad that they think little of all that it represents. Some of them may be like a little girl I happen to know, who once said:

"Why, papa, didn't we always have railroads?"

Just ask your grandparents about that. I have an idea that some of them will tell you that they were men and women long before they ever saw a railroad engine. A man but forty-five years old told me the other day that he walked ten miles with some other boys when he was ten years old to see a railroad train.

It has not been so very many years since the most intelligent men and women laughed and even jeered at the mere idea of people riding at the rate of fifteen or twenty miles an hour. When George Stephenson first began to talk about inventing an engine to be run on lines of wooden or iron track, the people looked upon him as a dreamer, a visionary who might not be quite "right in his head."

But this George Stephenson, of Wylam, near Newcastle, in England, was not to be put down by sneers nor jeers, and he had the audacity to declare that he could invent an engine that would run at the terrific rate of twenty-five miles an hour, whereupon one of the most noted periodicals of the day said that he ought to be "put in a straitjacket."

Stephenson went to work and built a queer-looking little railroad engine called the "Rocket" in 1829, and that was the beginning of one of the most useful and wonderful things in the world—the modern railway system.—St. Nicholas.

A Stranger in Town.

Fifteen miles below the head of the passes of the Mississippi, and not far from where Southwest Pass loses itself in the Gulf of Mexico, a little stream no wider than a village street curves away from the main "pass." Along both sides are tiny landings, and back of each there is a cottage. The cottages are now neglected and forlorn, but once they were palm-shaded, rose-garlanded and lovely. There, in the days when Southwest Pass was the principal mouth of the Mississippi, dwelt the pilots who carried ships across the bar.

"Old Pilot-town" is hidden from the traveler on the pass by a dense cane brake, and strangers seldom enter it from its bayou. One who did came down the river in a skiff, and turned into "Old Pilot-town Bayou" at noon for dinner. He found a ready meal at the first cottage, where dwelt an old woman, widow of one of the old-time pilots. As the meal progressed, one by one interested neighbors dropped in to see the stranger, till a dozen were braced against the walls.

"How many people live here now?" Mrs. B. asked the widow. "I thought the bayou was rather deserted." Mrs. B. looked round the room and took account of stock.

"You can count them for yourself," she said. "They're all here."

A Cheerful Soul.

A man lost a leg in a railway accident, and when they picked him up the first word he said was: "Thank the Lord, it was the leg with the rheumatism in it!"—Atlantic Constitution.

Some men don't care how dull business is if it is equally dull with their rivals.

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With wordy demonstrations:
Some will be arguments and some
Will just be recitations.
—Washington Star.

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

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An eminent physician had cured a little child of a dangerous illness. The grateful mother turned her steps toward the house of her son's savior.

"Doctor," she said, "there are some things which cannot be repaid. I really don't know how to express my gratitude. I thought you would, perhaps, be so kind as to accept this purse, embroidered by my own hand."

"Madam," replied the doctor coldly, "medicine is no trivial affair and our visits are to be rewarded only in money. Small presents serve to sustain friendships, but they do not sustain our families."

"But, doctor," said the lady, alarmed and wounded, "speak—tell me the fee."

"Two hundred dollars, madam."

The lady opened the embroidered purse, took out five bank notes of \$100 each, gave two to the doctor, put the remaining three back in the purse, bowed coldly and took her departure.—Lippincott's.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

Exception.

Gyer—I know of a case in which the office is seeking the man.

Myer—How's that?

Gyer—There is no salary connected with it, neither is there a chance for fees.

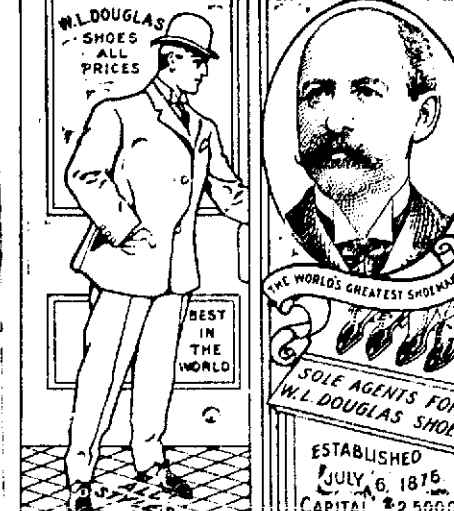
Imposition.

Birkins—The current number of Blank's magazine is almost wholly a reprint of last month's issue.

Mirkins—You don't say!

Birkins—Fact. There are but three new advertisements in the whole ninety-six pages.

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W. L. Douglas \$4.00 Clit Edge Line
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CAUTION. Beware of cheap imitations. W. L. Douglas's shoes are made in Brockton, Mass., and are stamped on the bottom. Fast Color Eyelets used. They will not wear brassy. Write for Illustrated Catalog.

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PAID DEARLY FOR MEANNESS.

Farmer Lost Eighty Hogs by Ill-Treating a Boy and Dog.

"It doesn't pay to incur the enmity of a boy," said a Kansas City man the other day, relating the misdeeds of his early youth. "I remember how I took revenge on a farmer whom I thought mistreated me. He had a large dog which I greatly admired, but which he sadly mistreated by starving and beating it. I used to coax the dog to go hunting with me, and as I had no gun, his aid in running down rabbits was very material. One day the farmer caught me hunting with his dog. He seized me by the neck and shook me roughly, telling me that if he caught me hunting with his dog again he would break every bone in my body and stamp me into the earth. I felt deeply indignant. I planned to be avenged by some method which would not get me into more trouble. Within the next two weeks my tormentor lost eighty-five hogs from cholera. I had got satisfaction. From the pen of a neighbor whose pigs had the plague I had picked up two half-eaten ears of corn which I threw into the feed lot of my enemy and infected his whole herd. It was a devilish deed, and even before the pigs began to die I had repented. A boy's wrath is as terrible as a man's, and he has not the wisdom of years to help him control it. Eighty-five hogs was the price that farmer paid for promising to massacre a boy for making friends with his mistreated dog. And the farmer never knew. Even a boy and a dog are better to have as friends than as enemies."—Kansas City Times.

Determination.

"I believe that in an election the best man should win," said Senator Sorghum.

"That is a proper and patriotic sentiment."

"Yes, sir. And I have my own ideas about who the best man is, and I'm going to see that he does win, no matter how many votes are cast against him."—Washington Star.

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An Amendment Accepted.

"Sometimes I think my typewriter knows more than I do," remarked the New York orator. "I was dictating a speech to her this morning and I said 'The ballot is sacred.'"

"A very proper sentiment."

"But she changed it. She mistook the letters of the last word a little and changed it to 'sacred.'"—Washington Star.

How It Happened.

Parks—How did the ship come to bang against the rocks?

Barks—Why, a young man was courting the lighthouse keeper's daughter; and they absent-mindedly turned the light down low.—Woman's Home Companion.

Featured.

"What do you mean by this?" roared the irate editor to the blase reporter. "I told you to go out and get me a good feature story and you bring me this dry old debate."

"It ought to be a good feature story," drawled the delinquent. "If you look over it you will find it full of 'ayes' and 'noes.'"—Baltimore American.

Up to Nature.

First Artist—Get any ideas, old man?

Second Artist—Well, I guess, yes. Got a bang-up sketch of a cyclone in action.

"What in thunder can you do with a cyclone?"

"Do with it? What do you suppose? I'm going to use it for the hair in my new portrait of the American girl."—Puck.

His Bluff Was Good.

"But," protested the millionaire father, "you are hardly the man I would wish for a son-in-law."

"I'm not looking for a job as son-in-law, if any one should ask you," rejoined the poor but seemingly honest young man. "I propose to do the husband act for Mayme and myself."

Whereupon the father was taken off his guard and neglected to call the young man's bluff.

The Complaint.

"What are you complaining about?" asked the insurance man.

"Well," answered the clerk in the insurance concern, "some of us feel that we are being as badly underpaid for working overtime as the directors were overpaid for working under time."—Washington Star.

Extremely Close.

Hovell—They are close friends, aren't they?

Powell—Yes; neither can borrow a cent from the other. Woman's Home Companion.

Winest Folk.

Who are the only wise people on earth? Why, those who agree with us, of course.—New York Press.

Sure Winner.

The Man—The girl looks upon my suit with favor, but both her father and mother oppose it.

The Maid—Then I may as well congratulate you.

The Man—Why, pray?

The Maid—You are sure to be elected by an overwhelming minority.

What is to be gained by an old man dyeing his beard and fooling the neighbors, so long as death is too shrewd to be fooled.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

We are often asked, Why does Hood's Sarsaparilla effect so many cures of cases that seem to be almost beyond the reach of medicine?

The answer is this, that this great medicine is enabled by the peculiarity of its formula to produce results unapproached by any other medicine, this peculiarity consisting in the balanced combination of the very best specifics for the blood, liver, kidneys, stomach, and bowels, namely, for the blood, Sarsaparilla, Stillingia, Yellow Dock; for the liver, Mandrake, Dandelion; for the kidneys, Uva Ursi, Juniper Berries, Pipsissewa; for the stomach, Gentian, Wild Cherry Bark, Bitter Orange Peel; for the bowels, Senna, Mandrake and Dandelion.

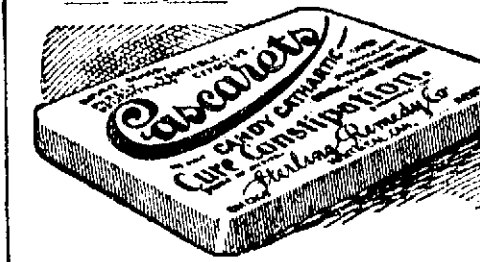
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They Act like Exercise on the Bowels. Muscles, make them strong and active—able to Help Themselves do their work—keep themselves clean.

Cascarets are the safe-guard of Innocent Childhood against the Dreadful Death-dealing Dangers that threaten the Lives of the Little Ones.

They are Purely Vegetable, absolutely Harmless, always Reliable and Efficient.

Perseverance.

Born in poverty, reared in obscurity, little Tad suffered many hardships through youth, and never knew what it was to have a penny to get gum drops or lollipop root.

Did he lose hope? No; he persevered until he is now opulent, for little Tad has become a plumber.—Indianapolis Star.

Used to Knock.

"At any rate," remarked the patriotic citizen, "when a cadet comes out of the American naval academy he can't be beaten."

"I don't doubt it," chuckled the man with the mustard whiskers. "He is beaten so much while he is in there I guess he is hardened enough to stand anything."

FREE TO OUR FRIENDS!

We want to send to our friends a beautiful French-designed, GOLD-PLATED BUNBON BOX, hand-embossed in color. It is a beauty for the dressing table. Ten cents in stamps is asked as a measure of good faith and to cover cost of Cascarets, with which this dainty trinket is loaded.

Send to-day, mentioning this offer. Address: Sterling Remedy Company, Chicago or New York.

HIGH CLASS DRUGGISTS AND — OTHERS.

The better class of druggists, everywhere, are men of scientific attainments and high integrity, who devote their lives to the welfare of their fellow men in supplying the best of remedies and purest medicinal agents of known value, in accordance with physicians' prescriptions and scientific formula. Druggists of the better class manufacture many excellent remedies, but always under original or official names and they never sell false brands, or imitation medicines. They are the men to deal with when in need of anything in their line, which usually includes all standard remedies and corresponding adjuncts of a first-class pharmacy and the finest and best of toilet articles and preparations and many useful accessories and remedial appliances. The earning of a fair living, with the satisfaction which arises from a knowledge of the benefits conferred upon their patrons and assistance to the medical profession, is usually their greatest reward for long years of study and many hours of daily toil. They all know that Syrup of Figs is an excellent laxative remedy and that it gives universal satisfaction, and therefore they are selling many millions of bottles annually to the well informed purchasers of the choicest remedies, and they always take pleasure in handing out the genuine article bearing the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of every package. They know that in cases of colds and headaches attended by biliousness and constipation and of weakness or torpidity of the liver and bowels, arising from irregular habits, indigestion, or over-eating, that there is no other remedy so pleasant, prompt and beneficial in its effects as Syrup of Figs, and they are glad to sell it because it gives universal satisfaction.

Owing to the excellence of Syrup of Figs, the universal satisfaction which it gives and the immense demand for it, imitations have been made, tried and condemned, but there are individual druggists to be found, here and there, who do not maintain the dignity and principles of the profession and whose greed gets the better of their judgment, and who do not hesitate to recommend and try to sell the imitations in order to make a larger profit. Such preparations sometimes have the name—"Syrup of Figs"—or "Fig Syrup" and of some piratical concern, or fictitious fig syrup company, printed on the package, but they never have the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of the package. The imitations should be rejected because they are injurious to the system. In order to sell the imitations they find it necessary to resort to misrepresentation or deception, and whenever a dealer passes off on a customer a preparation under the name of "Syrup of Fig" or "Fig Syrup," which does not bear the full name of the California Fig Syrup Co. printed on the front of the package, he is attempting to deceive and mislead the patron who has been so unfortunate as to enter his establishment, whether it be large or small, for if the dealer resorts to misrepresentation and deception in one case he will do so with other medicinal agents, and in the filling of physicians' prescriptions, and should be avoided by every one who values health and happiness. Knowing that the great majority of druggists are reliable, we supply the immense demand for our excellent remedy entirely through the druggists, of whom it may be purchased everywhere, in original packages only, at the regular price of fifty cents per bottle, but as exceptions exist it is necessary to inform the public of the facts, in order that all may decline or return any imitation which may be sold to them. If it does not bear the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of every package, do not hesitate to return the article and to demand the return of your money, and in future go to one of the better class of druggists who will sell you what you wish and the best of everything in his line at reasonable prices.

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COVINA, APRIL 21, 1906.

Apalling Disaster.

One of the greatest disasters of modern times over took the city of San Francisco and surrounding country Wednesday morning, involving untold millions in property losses and possibly thousands of human lives.

The magnitude of the calamity is such as to defy description. The great dailies are issuing extra editions every hour containing the latest telegraphic news from the stricken city.

All that can be accomplished by modern medical and surgical skill is being done for the wounded, while from all over the country funds are pouring in to buy food and clothing for the thousands that have been rendered destitute.

The horrible details are yet to come and not until telegraphic communication is fully established will the extent of the disaster be known.

There is only one pleasing feature in the affair and that is the spontaneous outpouring of the milk of human kindness and the practical demonstrations of sympathy in gifts of time, money and service by men and women everywhere.

Poor, stricken San Francisco! "How are the mighty fallen?"

Clean Up the Town.

Strangers coming into our city are greeted by so many unsightly weeds on and near the pavements! Can't we remedy this through our civic committee—our "city dads"? Let us have a day when all will use shovel and hoe, eradicating those unsightly enemies. Some of our citizens are doing beautifully—so many are not. Some of our alleys are in a shocking condition, breeders of typhoid and other miserable diseases. Follow citizens, let us be up and doing ere we fall to partake of ozone.

The merchandise loss to wholesale houses alone in San Francisco is estimated at two hundred million dollars, and San Francisco being the great jollying center of the Pacific coast, this loss will greatly affect prices. Already many lines of goods are scarce and prices higher. Many lines of goods cannot be replaced for six months, and this will affect the whole Pacific coast and eastern markets as well. Los Angeles has already been cleaned out of many staple goods. Credits are being restricted, causing much hardship to many dealers.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Covina Mutual Building and Loan Association, to have been held Wednesday evening has been postponed one week on account of failure to have a quorum present.

Invest your savings in Covina Mutual Building and Loan Association Stock pays 12 per cent. See J. H. Matthews, secretary, Covina. Office opposite postoffice.

One dollar starts an account with the Covina Valley Savings Bank and interest begins the day it is deposited.

When you wish to borrow money on real estate, write to Fitzgerald & Barry, Pasadena. They loan money at lowest rates without commission and make no charges for drawing papers. A member of the firm is in Covina each week and will meet you if desired.

All the new and latest styles in first class portraits at C. W. Tucker's studio at reasonable prices.

Ranchers! I can sell you nitrate of soda, delivered on short notice, any quantity, at market price. A. M. Seelye.

Eggs from thoroughbred Plymouth Rocks for sale. A few fine cockerels. W. P. Watts.

List your property with L. C. Fairly. Results is the only thing that talks and our sales show our ability to dispose of property. Adv.

Fossil Corkscrews

QUEER FREAKS OF NATURE THAT ABOUND IN NEBRASKA.

Gigantic Spirals of Mineral Fashioned So Mathematically as to Be Easily Mistaken at First Glance For Works of Art.

Nobody knows, with certainty what the so called "devil's corkscrews" really are. They are found by tens of thousands in Nebraska, most particularly in Sioux county, and some of them are as much as forty feet in height, without counting the gigantic "roots" presently to be described. Quartz is the substance of which they are made, but how they came to be imbedded, numbers of them together, in the sandstone cliffs of that region is more than anybody can tell, unless, perhaps, one theory, to be mentioned later, is to be accepted as correct.

You are traveling, let us say, on horseback through that part of the country, and, as often happens, you see, standing out from the face of a sandstone cliff, a gigantic spiral. If, as geologists have proved, the sandstone rock be chipped away a corkscrew shaped thing of quartz is exposed to view, fashioned so mathematically as to be easily mistaken at first glance for a work of art. The white spiral may be free, as a sculptor would say, or, in other cases, may be twined about a sort of axis, as a vine would run around a vertical pole.

Somewhere awhile ago gave to these spirals the name "devil's corkscrews" for want of a better and as expressive of the mystery of their origin. Scientists discussed them in vain, and many theories were formed in regard to them. There were authorities who declared they were fossil burrows excavated in tertiary times by gophers of a huge and extinct species. And, to confirm this notion, the bones of some burrowing animal were actually found imbedded in the substance of one of the "screws." This seemed to settle the matter for awhile, until the discovery of the osseous remains, under like conditions, of a small deer. Nobody could assert that a deer was ever a burrowing animal, and so that notion had to be abandoned.

Other theorists declared that the "fossil corkscrews," as some folks called them, represented the prehistoric borings of gigantic worms that lived in the very long ago. Yet others suggested that they were petrified vines, though it was difficult to explain how or why the "poles" on which the alleged vines seemed in many cases to have been trained had been so admirably preserved, or, for that matter, originally erected.

In the midst of so many contradictory theories the problem seemed likely to defy solution indefinitely. The one that held out longest and gained most adherents was that of the extinct gophers. It accounted for the "root"—a shapeless appendage often nearly as big as the "twister" itself and attached to the lower end of the latter—which obviously, as it seemed, had been the nest of the rodent animal, the "corkscrew" representing the spiral hole by which it made its way to the surface of the ground. What could possibly be more easy to comprehend?

Professor E. H. Barbour, however, has declared and his decision is accepted provisionally until somebody offers a better—that the corkscrews are of vegetable origin. They are, he asserts, the fossil remains of ancient water weeds of gigantic size, which grew millions of years ago on the bottom of a vast sheet of water that covered all of Nebraska. These must have been the biggest aquatic plants that ever existed, and when the huge lake that overflowed the region in question dried up the remains of many of the plants were left behind buried in the accumulated detritus at the bottom.

In the course of time, ages after the bottom of the ancient lake had been converted into solid rock, rivers played their way through the land, cutting this way and that and exposing to the view of the modern traveler on the faces of the cliffs the fossil casts of the prehistoric water weeds just as they stood when they grew hundreds of thousands and probably millions of years ago. Their tissues were replaced as they decayed by silica from the water, particle by particle, and thus, as if by magical means, their likenesses have been preserved for the wonder and admiration of the present survivors on the earth.

Such is the theory now pretty well accepted by scientists in regard to the origin of the "fossil corkscrews." Possibly it is not correct, but if otherwise there is room for the exercise of anybody's imagination in the consideration of this veritable romance of the ancient history of the world.—New York Herald.

Art thou in misery, brother? Then I pray be comforted. Thy grief shall pass away. Art thou elated? Ah, be not too gay. Temper thy joy. This, too, shall pass away.—Paul H. Hayne.

A Man of Action. Hicks—There isn't a man in town who can keep the conversational ball rolling like our friend Gayrake. Wicks—Nonsense! He never says anything worth listening to. Hicks—No, but he does a lot of things worth talking about.—Philadelphia Ledger.

He who feels contempt for any living thing hath faculties that he bath never used, and thought with him is in his infancy.—Wordsworth.



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Local Events.

Remember "Mr. Bob," the play given by the Sophomore class.

Cow for sale. \$45. Inquire of R. S. Edgar, Irwindale. Phone 107.

Folding Pocket Lunch Boxes, 25 cts., at Clapp's.

Van Webster of Everett, Wash., arrived Thursday and is guest of his old time schoolmate, Garry Layman.

J. H. Brown of Los Angeles spent a few days here this week attending to ranch duties.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Nigg went to Los Angeles Thursday to spend a few days with friends.

1000 Late Valencia 2 year old orange trees for sale at 85c per tree. R. S. Edgar, Irwindale. Phone 107.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bliss of Santa Barbara visited this week with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Ratekin.

W. M. Paine of Olive, Cal., spent Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Ratekin.

J. Smeltzer sold this week 12 lots of the Daniel Houser property in Lordsburg, Henry L. Kuns being the buyer.

J. Smeltzer left yesterday for a five months tour in the East. He expects to visit the principal cities in Iowa, Illinois and Indiana.

Mrs. Lou McKirahan of Los Angeles arrived Wednesday and will make an indefinite visit at the home of A. McKirahan.

Miss Mary Tucker departed Wednesday for her home in Indiana after spending the winter visiting her nephew, C. W. Tucker.

H. Armstrong and family, who have spent a year in Covina, left Wednesday for their home in Altadena, Ill.

Each dollar put at interest helps to earn the next one. The Covina Valley Savings Bank pays you 4 per cent.

"Mr. Bob" arrives at the Womans Club House Saturday evening, April 21. Come and see him. Admission 25c, reserved seats at Clapp's.

Cholce stock Barred Plymouth Rock fowls and eggs for sale. G. W. Lee, Cienega avenue. Phone 2098.

Mrs. J. D. Reed and Mrs. B. L. Reynolds represented the local M. E. Sunday school at the convention held Wednesday and Thursday at the First M. E. Church, Los Angeles.

Mrs. A. Fletcher entertained a small party at luncheon yesterday to meet Prof. Borden of the University extension department of the State University.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Powers and children, who have been visiting Mrs. Power's mother, Mrs. M. Shelton, and sister, Mrs. Robert Crenshaw, left Wednesday for Oklahoma, where they will locate permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. Job Trout entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Larick. Those present were Misses Ethel Shank, Blanche and Flora Boots, and Messrs. E. Mitchell, Duck and Larick.

During my absence in the East, W. H. Potter will attend to any writings or applications for the Los Angeles Fire Association. People wishing insurance in that company will please notify Mr. Potter by letter or phone. Address Covina, phone 4262. J. Smeltzer. 5 12p

F. W. Hyde arrived from Lone Pine this week to join his wife, who has been spending the winter with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Willis. Mr. and Mrs. Hyde will occupy the residence on the Walker tract recently vacated by M. N. Overholzer and family.

Mrs. C. W. Potter came up from Los Angeles yesterday and returned on the afternoon train accompanied by her children, who will stay over Sunday. She reports Mr. Potter out of danger and progressing favorably. The operation which was performed at the Good Samaritan Hospital on Saturday evening proved successful in every way and from that time he has rapidly regained strength.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Q. Custer of West Badillo street was the scene of a most delightful time, when on last Friday evening, April 13, they entertained the two Young Peoples classes of the Baptist Sunday school and a number of their friends. The evening was spent in games and music, after which they were entertained by Mr. McCallister with a number of phonograph selections. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served the guests to the number of forty.

Mrs. L. Rockwell is spending the week at Compton with relatives.

The Cotillion Club has sent out invitations for a dance to be given in the Womans Club House on the evening of Tuesday, May 1.

The Covina Valley Savings Bank offers you a safe investment for your idle funds. We pay 4 per cent. Start an account today.

The class of '08 of the high school will introduce "Mr. Bob" to the public of Covina Saturday evening, April 21. Admission 25c. Reserved seats at Clapp's.

Thursday being ladies night at the Covina Country Club. About thirty members and their wives were present. Cards and music were indulged in, prizes being won by Mrs. Burpee and Mrs. Fabrick.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church will meet at the home of Mrs. E. A. Rich on Center street next Wednesday afternoon at the 3 o'clock. Program in charge of Mrs. Rich.

Buy your roses now while I am selling out. \$1.25 a dozen. Pine field grown plants, regular \$2.50. Carnations \$1.25 a dozen delivered, fine strong plants.

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According to the Daily Californian of Berkeley, C. R. Shipway of this place, now attending the State University, was elected one of the two men to represent his class on the Students Cooperative Society of that institution.

The moving picture entertainments given in the Womans Club House on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings under the auspices of the Monday Afternoon Club were enjoyed by a large audience on both evenings. The illustrated songs by Mr. Wetmore, baritone, were greatly appreciated.

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church held its annual election of officers on Tuesday, April 17. The following officers were elected: president, J. P. Laycock; first vice, Mrs. J. L. Matthews; second vice, Miss Edith Farmer; third vice, Mrs. Anna Finch; fourth vice, Mrs. Ethel Cushman; secretary, Wallace Reed; treasurer, Virgil Bonham; organist, Miss Mattie Breakley.

The Easter services in Holy Trinity Church on Sunday were most impressive and inspiring. The church was decorated with great taste and looked especially beautiful, and the choir never rendered more effectively or with greater charm the beautiful anthems appropriate to the season. The services will partake of the same character on Sunday and the music will be repeated.

Huntington Beach was visited Tuesday by Mmes. Moxley and Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Jewell. The services of the dedication of the new auditorium and the Deaconess Rest Home were greatly enjoyed by all the large audience. Seven electric cars were crowded taking the Methodist folk from Los Angeles and suburbs to this popular Methodist resort. This seaside city is growing very rapidly, thirty new buildings now being in course of construction.

Rev. J. L. Pitner, D.D., Presiding Elder of San Diego district of the M. E. Church, purchased the Judge Davis ranch yesterday. Consideration said to be \$7,500. Dr. Pitner has had some experience in growing Florida oranges, where he made success of the business. The doctor has a delightful ranch here now and we hope to occasionally hear his eloquent voice especially his lecture on "Boot and Saddle." Welcome to our community-- thrice welcome-- doctor.

A week from next Friday evening, May 4, Prof. Kelsey will be in Covina and give a James Whitcomb Riley recital. Prof. Kelsey is a great friend of Riley's and gives a rare interpretation of the poet's touching pieces. Prof. Kelsey is vice-president of Whittier College and comes here highly recommended. This special date has been secured by the '08 class of the High School and the entertainment will be held in the High School Auditorium.

Last Tuesday evening the friends of Mrs. Armstrong gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Wolfarth to bid her goodbye before her departure with her family for their home in the East. She was presented with a handsome berry spoon as a token of love and esteem. Ice cream and cake were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Seeley, Pollard, Thomason, Armstrong, Jackson, Mmes. John Houser, Frey, Leisura, Corbett, Crouse, Hodges, Statton, Albion, C. Wolfarth, Goodrich, Benton, Misses Hortense Armstrong, Joy Benton, May Allison, Mabel Houser, Messrs. Otto Wolfarth and Clay Benton.

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THE COVINA ARGUS

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King Christian died poor. He should have consulted King Leopold.

The doctors will get even with Grover Cleveland the next time he has a twinge of rheumatism.

Recent disclosures concerning the "emerald set" give Colonel Matthews an excellent excuse for saying, "I told you so."

Complaint is made that the navy is becoming too costly. Some way must be found to reduce the expense of the hazing trials.

A pure food law, say its opponents, would work a revolution in certain industries. This, if true, only demonstrates the need of a pure food law.

Georgia drummers are demanding a law for clean sheets. They ought to consult with Messrs. Hapgood and Collier, who have done something toward getting cleaner sheets.

Esperanto, the new universal language, has been set to music. A great deal of operatic singing has always sounded like Esperanto, no matter what the nominal language was.

The late King Christian of Denmark left a very small estate—hardly a quarter of a million. The Russian grand dukes and the princes of the graft business the world over must be staggered by so gross a neglect of opportunity.

In woman's artistic dress Miss Repplier, the clever essayist, sees a guaranty of woman's ascendancy. To paraphrase an old adage, let us wear the skirts of the country, and we care not who wields the ballot and makes the laws.

"The fact that King Christian left an estate worth only \$250,000," says the Indianapolis News, "makes it evident that he was indifferent to his opportunities." Not necessarily. There may be less rottenness in the state of Denmark than there used to be.

The greatest problem of education involved today relates to girls. Here, before their education has been a mere copy of that long ago established for boys. Some day a genius will come along and conceive thoughts which shall form the basis of an education which shall help girls to all their best possibilities without dissipating their strength on lines of effort established for natures in some respects entirely different.

Andrew Carnegie doubtless obtains great satisfaction from his possession of immense wealth, but he doubtless obtains still greater satisfaction from his occasional success as a speaker and writer. Unquestionably he would rather be numbered among the great artists, the great musicians or the great authors of the world than be among the great millionaires. The applause which greeted his really clever little speech at the Mark Twain dinner was more grateful to him than all the power which his wealth confers upon him. After all there are some successes in the world that are better to be desired than the attaining of much money.

Last year there were over 9,000 homicides committed in the United States, a considerable increase over the previous year. Undoubtedly there was also an increase in other crimes. The statement is made that with the single exception of the Italians the American people are the most homicidal nation in the civilized world. The indictment against this country is emphasized by comparison with the criminal statistics of other leading nations. In Italy the homicides number 105 per 1,000,000 of inhabitants per year; in this country last year the ratio was 115 per 1,000,000. The annual average ratio of homicides to population in Germany is 13 per 1,000,000, in France 19 per 1,000,000, and in the United Kingdom 27 per 1,000,000.

The use of large sums of money in elections is admittedly a menace to free institutions. Heavy contributors are generally prompted by a desire for individual gain. The interests thus represented are enabled to dominate political organizations, centralizing power and depriving the many of their political rights for the benefit of the few. It is useless to assert that practices of this nature can not be eliminated. England has demonstrated the possibilities in this direction so conclusively as to leave dissenters no ground on which to stand. The corrupt practices not in force there place restrictions upon candidates and their supporters which make the use of large amounts impossible. Responsibility is fixed with a certainty that leaves no room for evasion, and the result has been a complete transformation.

We are getting rather tired of the north pole. It has been overdone. Time was when we were intensely curious to know about it and thought perhaps its discovery might have some commercial value, but now it is different. We know pretty well that nothing is to be gained by locating the pole beyond the satisfaction of a dulled curiosity, and the millions of the hunter. We can get on very well without the alleged "geographical and scientific

facts" to be adduced by the discovery. And we are tired of making heroes of the plain or garden chumps who go in search of the pole. Every man who wants to be a hero and break into print tries off to discover the north pole and comes back afterward and tells us how and why he failed; and will we make up a purse to send him again? Sure to find it this time! It's getting to be a nuisance. Let the old pole alone. Nobody wants it anyway.

There can be no question that the prevalence of certain diseases has increased during the last half century. Conspicuous among these are diabetes and insomnia, both of which are largely due to the mental stress of a hard or strenuous existence. The increased consumption of alcohol and the free use of narcotics are also responsible for many morbid conditions unknown to our harder forebears. But, in comparing the present prevalence of diseases with that of the past there are several factors for which due allowance is often not made. One of these is that our forefathers died, as a rule, at a considerably younger age than their descendants; if they did not perish by the sword they were mowed down from time to time by the plague and other devastating epidemics. In this way they escaped many of the diseases not only of old age, but of advanced middle life. Again, it must not be forgotten that each generation represented to a much larger extent than is now the case the survival of the fittest. Most of the weaklings died in childhood. The triumph of modern hygiene is that it has preserved a large proportion of these lives.

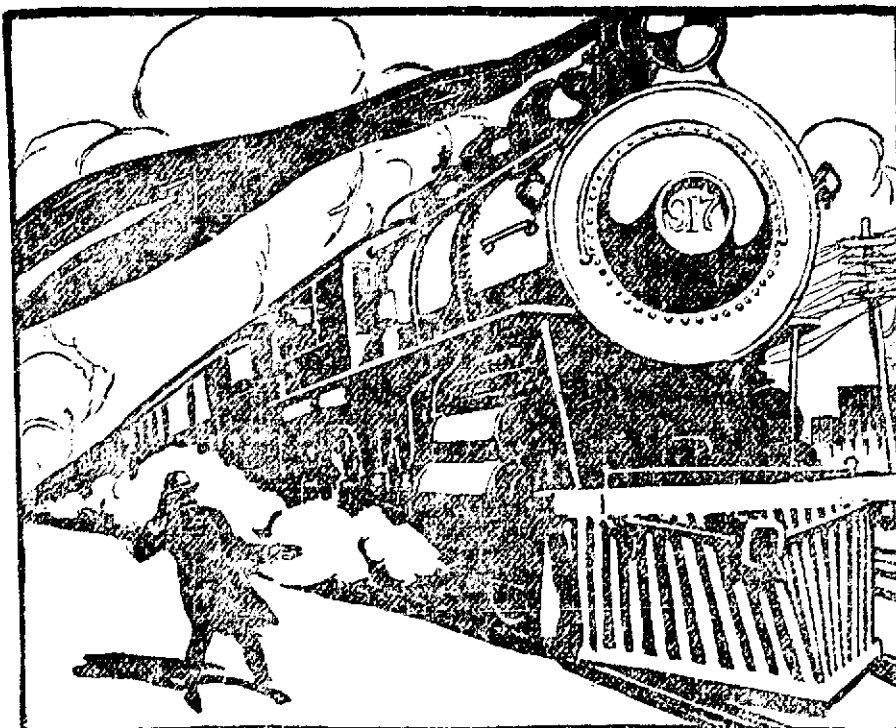
Boys in highway robbery, girls in wine rooms and dance halls. These are the spectacles that are sending sword thrusts of pain and grief into parental hearts all over the land this winter, and every winter and every season of every year in this and every land, and perhaps especially in this land, where parental authority is apt to relax and filial reverence to decline and youthful blood run riot in the quest for excitement, adventure, and fun. Every city is agitated over its boys and wild girls. What is to be said, what is to be done? In one of those powerful drawings with which John T. McCutcheon occasionally searches the secret heart of American life, the Chicago Tribune points out what it calls "the root of the boy-burglar evil." Father and mother are portrayed at home, reading accounts of juvenile highwaymen in the evening paper and wondering where "Willie" is. The lesson is implied, but it is plain; a boy's parents should know where he spends his evenings and know that he spends them in right and proper ways. Sociology has run to seed in the propensity to attribute every individual action to the tendency of society. Not the drunkard is censurable, but only the saloon; not the man who gambles away his week's wages, but only the cards and the green table; not the girl who yields to some insistent ruffian, but the four walls and the furniture that were the scene of her ruin; not the boy that joins a horde of evil companions, but the policeman on his block, or the yellow journal, or the divorce laws, or the straight front corset, or woman's clubs. No boy is ever caught in the meshes of the law under the impression that he was behaving himself. No girl is guileless and innocent of heart who goes into a private room and drinks liquor with a strange man. That social principles are not more fully understood and practiced by our youth is the fault of the father and mother, engrossed in business or pleasure to the exclusion of parental duties, such as the old Jewish, German and Puritan fathers were wont to discharge with such fidelity and good results. Children do not form a character and mold a destiny by chance. They must be trained; and there is no more crying need of the hour than the sense of parental responsibility. Men who look after their business with sedulous exactness, and women who have studied American leads and antique rugs and Italian marbles and Parisian modes with infinite patience and care, discharge the solemn obligations of fatherhood and motherhood in a careless and haphazard sort of way. Out of such betrayal of the most sacred of trusts comes the awful ruin of young lives. There are girls so trained that not all the wine rooms in the world could corrupt their virtue, and boys to whom a saloon and gambling house on every corner would be no temptation.

Baseball in Manila. Manila has better baseball games than Atchison or Leavenworth; games played by army and navy teams maintained in the city by the government employees. It costs a dollar (native currency) to see these games, and the natives who attend know all the talk of the game, and become widely excited in true American fashion. At a recent school I visited I found the school rooms full of catting matches, and the professors and the students played baseball with great enthusiasm and with considerable cleverness. As there is no winter here the game is played all the time. But I do not expect that American league clubs will ever draw on the Philippines for star players; the Filipino is not big enough to become a professional and not capable of sufficient exertion to meet the great demands of baseball. E. W. Howe, in the Atchison Globe.

If a woman is sent for from another town to assist in curing for the sick, search her trunk carefully and you will find a party dress.

At its prodigious birth there seemed to be no good fairies to endow the new

THE MODERN LOCOMOTIVE.



The fifty thousand locomotives of America are celebrating the birthday of their illustrious progenitor, the tiny "Tom Thumb," which was as diminutive in the race of the iron horse as was his equally renowned human prototype.

Seventy-five years ago with much travail and trouble, was begotten and brought forth the little locomotive weighing four tons which has propagated a teeming stock of sleek, black, steel steeds, many 215,000 pounds each, which speed over the race courses of a continent on 213,904 miles of track.

At its prodigious birth there seemed to be no good fairies to endow the new

and Washington together by hours instead of days and the Atlantic coast and the Pacific by days instead of months. It unified the United States into a corporate nation which superseded the disconnected federation of States having little in common.

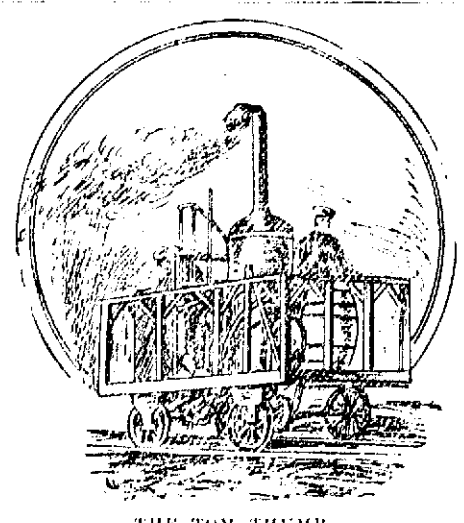
Surely some prophetic vision must have illumined Peter Cooper's eye, else one would look in vain for an elucidation of the reasons that prompted the merchant prince and philanthropist, neither mechanic nor inventor, to espouse the cause of an invention which the most expert opinion of the period pronounced valueless.

Not alone, however, in the increased size of the locomotive, nor its larger carrying capacity, or its swifter speed, is the story of the remarkable development unfolded.

No less marvelous is the varied service that endows the train equipment of today. Thus, there are four entirely different types of locomotives, and these, in turn, are subdivided into numerous classifications, according to the number of driving wheels, pilot wheels and trailers.

There are fairly countless varieties of cars; under freight cars there are box cars, flat cars, tank cars, cattle cars, refrigerator cars, and many others, each rated in order to its capacity.

Tiny Tom Thumb's descendants have outgrown their forefather's dwarfism, and are a mighty, teeming race of Goliaths. There are now well high fifty thousand locomotives in the United States, all of them busy, coursing over the 213,904 miles of track which have been laid to satisfy the growing demand for railway communication. Over these tracks last year were hauled, as nearly as the combined available reports of the railroads indicate, a matter of 750,000,000 passengers and 1,300,000 net pounds of freight. Such is the great oak that grew from Peter Cooper's little acorn—a marvel of figures that might stagger the belief of the most visionary of dreamers. In Cooper's day, and which convey in their unadorned fact a livelier picture of progress than could be painted by the most talented of brushes.

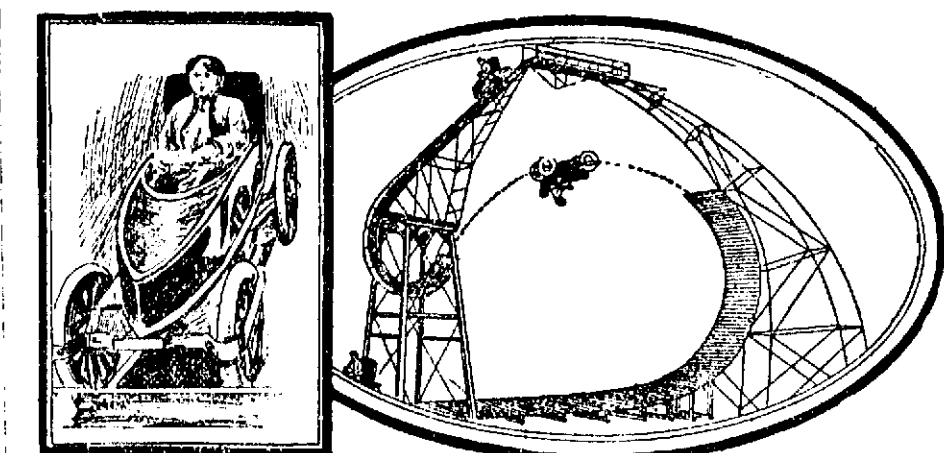


THE TOM THUMB.

Invention with gifts either of beauty or power. Yet after all some benevolent godfather must have watched over its arrival and sped its course to good fortune, for while there were difficulties innumerable and undreamed of by its great father Peter Cooper, nevertheless they all were in time surmounted so that even during the life of this proud parent the strange little monster gave promise of future fame and usefulness.

The primitive little boar of a Tom Thumb which Peter Cooper fathered seventy-five years ago signified not only a newly discovered and improved means of transportation; it was the medium of transforming isolation into populous cities. It opened up a close communication that brought New York

"CIRCLE OF DEATH" STUNT IS FATAL.



Mlle. Mauricia de Thiers, who received fatal injuries at Lisbon, Portugal, while doing her "circle of death" stunt in an American circus, was a Parisienne the most daring performer of her class. The hair raising act consisted in running down a curving incline in an automobile with terrific speed and turning a somersault in the air as a gap of some fifty feet was leaped.

MASCULINE MIND IS MINOR.

Wife Has to Explain How She Knows When the Clock Stopped.

A Kansas City woman tells this story of her husband to demonstrate the inferiority of the masculine mind.

One morning as her husband was sitting down to the breakfast table he glanced at the dining room clock and said: "We must be later than usual this morning."

"Don't place too much confidence in that clock. It stopped at 5 o'clock this morning, and I just set it going by guess," replied the good wife.

"Were you up at 5 o'clock?" asked the husband.

"Of course not."

"What time did you say the clock stopped?"

"At 5."

"If you weren't up at 5," replied the man, with a puzzled look, "how in thunder do you know when the clock stopped?"

"Why, dear, it stayed stopped," was the reply. The man did not say another word that morning.—Kansas City Times.

An Artist in Manners. In all matters of sentiment the Arab's instinct is sure. If you can appeal to him on any ground of hospitality or generosity, says the author of "In the Desert," you have a hold on him.

It used to be the boast of Arab poetry in its best days that it "never

praised a man except for what was in him," and the habit of judging directly and without regard to surroundings has always been an instinct of the race. All those evidences of worldly prosperity and success which turn the heart of the Anglo-Saxon to water leave the Arab unmoved.

The Arab is an artist in manners. I remember a certain shik, who was once my traveling companion on the Upper Nile, a tall, lean, keen-faced man, of a complexion almost black, with a glitter on it like the sun polish on desert stones, who walked among the fellows on the crowded deck like a chief among his slaves.

With him I shared the same narrow corner of the deck. He was strict in his religious observances, and at the appointed hours would spend his mat on the deck, turn in the supposed direction of Mecca, and then kneel and rise and kneel again, bowing with his forehead to the ground in the imposing attitudes of Moslem prayer.

Quick at detecting the least sign of consideration or respect, if we stopped talking or moved to make room, he would treasure up the courtesy, and when his prayers were over, turn and acknowledge it with a grave gesture and a smile that seemed no conventional grimace, but expressed the intention of a deliberate friendliness.

Knicker—Did you ask her to be your wife? Boeker—Yes, but she declined the nomination.—New York Sun.

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APPLE HAS A LONG DESCENT.

Traced Back to the Cave Dwellers of Swiss Lakes.

Among the fruits of the rose family are apples, pears, peaches, plums, cherries and quinces, as well as strawberries and blackberries. The apple is a fruit of long descent. Among the ruins of the Swiss lake dwellers are found remains of small seed apples which show the seed valves and the grains of flesh. The crab apple is a native of Britain and was the stock on which were grafted the choicest varieties when brought from Europe, chiefly France. Apples of some sort were abundant before the conquest and had been introduced probably by the Romans. Yet often as Saxon manuscripts speak of apples and cider there is no mention of named varieties before the thirteenth century. Then one may read of the pearmain and the costard, Chaucer's "mellow costard."

In the roll of household expenses of Eleanor, wife of Simon De Montfort, apples and pears are entered. In the year 1286 the royal fruiterer to Edward I. presents a bill for apples, pears, quinces, medlars and nuts. Pippins, believed to be seedlings, hence called from the pips or seeds, are said not to have been grown in England before 1525. The exact Drayton, writing of the orchards of Kent at that period, can name only the apple, the orange, the russet, the sweeting, the pique water and the reinette.

John Winthrop is usually held responsible for the introduction of the apple into the New World. But as a matter of fact when Winthrop anchored off Cape Cod the recluses Blackstone already had apple trees growing about his cabin at Shawmut Neck. Some of the best of American apples were brought over by the Huguenots, who settled in Elmberg, L. I., in 1690, and planted there, among others, the pomme royale or spice apple.

Easy to See.

The Lady—You'll excuse me, but you don't travel on this car line often, do you, sir?

The Gentleman—No, madam. How do you know?

The Lady—You gave me your seat.

The Gentleman—And you don't travel on this line often yourself.

The Lady—What makes you think so?

The Gentleman—You thanked me.—Cleveland Leader.

A Little Sermon.

Who goes upon a luck at night Should heed this note of warning— A lack at night won't prompt a wight To rise with it next morning. —Philadelphia Press.

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The Uncle—Well, I guess he is. Nobody has ever got any of 'em out of him yet.



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SIX DIE AT THEIR POSTS

FATAL EXPLOSION ON U. S. KEARSARGE

Powder in Forward Turret of Battleship Ignites
During Target Practice—One Officer and Five
Killed—Another Officer May
Be Dead.

Guantanamo, (Cuba) April 14.—The United States battleship Kearsarge has arrived here. The casualties resulting from the explosion on board the vessel off Culebra Island, Friday, are reported to be as follows:
Two officers and five men killed and fourteen injured, eight of them seriously.
The bodies of the men killed will be buried in the naval cemetery here tomorrow.

Washington, April 14.—Two years ago to a day later than the fatal Missouri disaster, as every sailor immediately recalled, on a Friday and the thirteenth of the month, six men were done to death in the forward turret of the battleship Kearsarge by one of those accidents which acquire additional terror for sailors because of their obscure origin and almost impossibility of prevention.
The Atlantic fleet had been for weeks engaged in most severe drills in the waters of the Caribbean Sea, culminating in the quarterly target practice. This practice was just about concluding with most satisfactory results, up to yesterday, and it was confidently expected that the department upon the basis of preliminary reports received, that all records would be broken in the matter of rapidity of fire and efficiency of the gunners. But today, just at the close of the week's work at the department, came a calamity from Rear-Admiral Evans, commanding the Atlantic fleet, telling of a dreadful accident on one of his best ships, the Kearsarge. The news came from Caimanera, a little cable station at the mouth of Guantanamo Bay, indicating that the Kearsarge itself had arrived at the place. A slight telegraphic error, requiring the consumption of some time to effect the deciphering of the message as soon as they had made out the fact that a serious accident had occurred. When the message was finally reduced to form, it read as follows:

EVANS'S MESSAGE.

"CAIMANERA, April 14, 1906.—Secretary Navy, Washington. On April 13, about 3:15 p. m., shortly after completion target practice of Kearsarge, in forward turret while the powder was going below, three sections of a 13-inch charge of powder were ignited. Charge of powder in other lift just below and one section 13-inch remained intact. Cause unknown. Matter is being investigated. Lieut. Joseph M. Grimes, gunnery officer, has been sent to the Maryland in very critical state, about 9 p. m. The following have since died:
"Lieut. John M. Hudgins, turret officer.
"Peter Norberg, gunner's mate.
"Theodore Nogeli, seaman.
"Anton G. Thorsen, seaman.
"Julius E. Koester, turret captain first class.
"Ellis H. Athy, seaman.
"W. King, ordinary seaman, was dangerously injured by accident, recovery doubtful.
"Will bury dead at Guantanamo.
"Vessel undamaged."

More Kearsarge Victims Reported.

Washington, April 17.—The navy department was advised today that two more deaths had occurred as the result of the explosion on the battleship Kearsarge last Friday.
They were Frederick Thomas Fisher, chief gunner's mate, and James S. McCord, electrician of the first class.
Fisher was a resident of San Francisco.
Next of kin is given on the records as Miss Minnie Fisher, Fishers, Buckworth rectory, Huntington, England.
McCord is a resident of New York.

FILIPINOS SLAUGHTER FOUR

Ladrones Attack Constabulary and Loss of Life Results—Considered a Mere Incident.

Manila.—The headquarters of the Philippine constabulary at Malolos, island of Luzon, were attacked several days ago by a band of ladrones. Three native members of the constabulary and one ladrone were killed. The affair creates no alarm here, where it is regarded merely as an incident of the effort to restore order through the employment of a native constabulary.

Similar conflicts between local outlaw bands are of more or less frequent occurrence.

HUNDREDS ARE REPORTED KILLED

Buildings Topple Over in Heart of Business District and Carry Down Their Neighbors to Destruction. Fire Adds to Horror.

FIRE DEPARTMENT UNABLE TO FIGHT FLAMES

Scenes That Beggar Description Are Being Enacted At the Morgues Where Frantic Thousands Are Fighting to See the Dead, Seeking to Learn if Dear Ones Have Perished.

San Francisco, April 18.—San Francisco has been shaken by a terrific earthquake. Every building in the city has been more or less damaged. In the down town districts hardly a building escaped serious damage and hundreds of them are total wrecks, collapsed from the effects of the severe shaking-up they have sustained. Water mains broken and fire department powerless. Electric light and power wires disconnected. Also telephone and telegraph communication cut off.

Fires are burning everywhere and the fire department is powerless to combat the spread of the flames, owing to the bursting of the water mains under the streets.

Hundreds of persons are reported killed in the cheap lodging house district south of Market street, where the old frame and brick structures toppled over and fell in like so many houses of cards, crushing the sleeping victims within.

The Examiner building has been badly wrecked, portions of it having succumbed to the shock and tumbled to the ground.

The Call building suffered an even worse fate, and is almost a complete wreck.

Across the street from the Los Angeles Examiner Bureau, on Third street, not a single building has been left untouched, the tallest building in the block having toppled over, carrying destruction to its neighbors in its fall.

More than one hundred dead are reported in the lodging houses on Mission street where the fire is raging. The buildings there are a heap of ruins and there is no way of telling how far the flames will go before they can be checked. Those who were not killed by falling timbers are burned to death. The Examiner News Service Bureau was put out of service after the first shock. The big structure alongside of it fell upon it. The operators and others escaped with their lives.

CAN SAVE THE NATION IN TIME OF WAR

Letters to, from and in care of Senator Perkins indicate the probability of a new honor for California, distinction no less than that of acting as backbone for the nation in time of war.

Heretofore the United States has had to depend on Chile for its supply of niter in the manufacture of gun powder, and the fact has not brought joy to the government at Washington. Not only has this dependence on an other country been deplored, but kept as secret as possible, nothing being published even concerning the propriety for the purchase of niter. Now great beds of niter have been

Not a building in the city has escaped some damage and it will be hours before any adequate idea of the extent of the damage can be known.

Even where the fire department is not crippled by the bursting of the mains it is impossible to reach the fires as the streets are impassable and in several instances the engine houses are destroyed.

The Hobart building, Nos. 523-285 Market street toppled over on the Postal Telegraph office, stopping all messages out of the city by that company for the time being. After the first panic was passed it was found that the roof and the top story of the Hobart building had fallen on the Postal office, but that the Postal service was not destroyed entirely. At the present moment there is one Postal wire working out of the city.

The Merchants' Exchange Building is so badly shattered that no one dares go near it and it is feared that it will collapse at any moment.

A hurried survey of the city shows the damage to be so widespread and extensive that it is impossible at this moment to tell the full measure of the ruin.

After the first stunning effect of the shock had passed the cooler heads began to think of those in the debris or in peril from the flames and bands of volunteers rescuers went to work with whatever means there were at hand. The progress was slow but in many cases effective.

The public are doing everything possible to save life and no idlers are permitted on the streets. Every man who is able to work is pressed into service to assist in rescuing the dying and wounded from the wreckage that lies in every direction.

The toll of life will be fearful. Every minute reports of lives lost are coming in, but they are so confused and conflicting that it is not possible to verify them accurately. The fear is that most of these reports are true.

discovered in Death Valley, and State Mineralogist Aubrey has called the attention of Senator Perkins to the discovery and correspondence between the state, the senator and Director Walden of the government geological survey has followed. Aubrey has made an investigation limited by small appropriation, and Walden has considered the field but done nothing for the same reason, and both state and government have been handicapped by lack of railroad facilities. Now that the Santa Fe's Tonopah and Tidewater branch has progressed to Soda Lake and the junction of the Salt Lake railroad,

ANOTHER SHOCK AT 8:15

San Francisco, April 18.—Another awful earthquake shook the city at 8:15. The entire population is in a panic. Not a street car running. All power is gone.

THIRD SHOCK—HORROR IN CREASES

San Francisco, April 18, 9 a. m.—A third shock upheaved the stricken city at 8:45 o'clock. Fires are appearing in many of the main streets. At least fifty large blocks are in ruins, others utterly demolished, and damage inestimable.

CITY HALL DOME FALLS IN.

San Francisco, April 18, 10:30 a. m.—Fourth shock visits stricken city. Fire rages throughout business section. Dynamite used by firemen to fight flames. Wind is blowing a gale. Call building a mass of flames. Examiner building in grave danger.

FIFTH SHOCK HAS COME.

San Francisco, April 18, 10:00 a. m.—A fifth shock has come. Another shock means almost total destruction of city, so many buildings are weakened.

The entire forces at the Presidio and Fort Mason have been ordered out to guard property and preserve order. Mechanics Pavilion is being used as a morgue. Over 400 dead bodies have already been taken from the ruins. Palace Hotel is reported consumed by flames.

SALINAS LIKE A BRICKYARD.

Salinas, April 18.—The main street of this city at this moment has more the appearance of a brickyard than that of a prosperous city. Not a building has escaped damage, and many have totally collapsed.

SAN JOSE IN RUINS.

San Jose, April 18.—A private message to the Western Union Telegraph Company from a point 17 miles from San Jose, states that all of the brick buildings in San Jose are in tumbled ruins and scores of lives are lost.

The State Asylum at Napa is totally wrecked and half of the inmates are killed.

The chief obstacle is disappearing and Director Walden says he believes the government will be able to make a survey, although the expense still will be heavy; not only will it necessitate the services of a geologist, but a chemist with an outfit for field determination of the composition of the different salts and nitrates. An examination of the nitrate deposits is promised by the government this year.

Governor of Kiangsi Dismissed.

The Morning Post's correspondent at Shanghai telegraphs that an imperial decree has been issued dismissing Ho Ting Kuo, governor of Kiangsi for his connection with the recent murder of French missionaries.

Hens should receive plenty of exercise when laying the eggs you intend to set.

RUSSIA'S LOAN SAVES THE DAY

AMOUNT WILL TIDE HER OVER FOR TWO YEARS

Premier Witte Has Upper Hand of Minister of the Interior Durnovo. Downfall of the Latter Is Certain.

St. Petersburg, April 17.—The successful negotiation of a foreign loan of \$150,000,000, ruinous as are the rates which Russia is obliged to pay for the money, extricates the government from much of its embarrassment and enables it to clear the decks of the accumulation of debts and to keep above water at least for two years, in respect of the attitude of the national parliament. Premier Witte is greatly encouraged by the outlook. The Associated Press is in a position to confirm the report that Premier Witte now has definitely got the upper hand of Minister of the Interior Durnovo.

Downfall Matter of Few Days.

The downfall of the latter is a matter of only days or weeks at the most, is Emperor Nicholas has promised to dismiss him before the national parliament meets.

The Associated Press learns authoritatively that unless the unexpected happens it is the government's intention to allow the parliament to sit two months before the summer vacation and reconvene it at the end of September.

The opposition and especially the revolutionists are correspondingly crestfallen over the decision of foreign bankers to come to the government's rescue in the present crisis.

California Items of Interest.

Visalia now has a population of over 4,000.

There is a land boom northeast of Lindsay, Tulare county.

Chas. H. Shinn, supervisor of the Sierra Forest reserve states that the department has increased the number of sheep to be pastured in the reserve from 15,000 to 20,000.

Our wheat farmers say that the stand of grain this year at this time is in better condition than during any years since 1884. Lindsay Gazette.

The condition of the fruit crop around Marysville is in doubt. Most of the orchardists report that almonds are all gone, apricots nearly so and peaches more than half destroyed.

What at first seemed to be a very promising season now looks like one of poor crops, and the only consolation at hand is in the hope that the price will be greater on account of the shortage.

It is believed by many that the present year will be the greatest in the history of California for the citrus industry. It is confidently believed that growers will bank from \$18,000,000 to \$20,000,000 after all expenses of freight and after charges are paid.

The delicious fruit growers of the Eastern states are threatened with a light crop this season. The warm weather in February started the buds and the stretch of March winter froze them off.

A hundred cars of oranges blocked by the slide on the S. P. between the Tehachapi and Bakersfield had to be shipped back to Los Angeles last week, reloaded, and sent north again over the Coast line.

At a meeting of Dine's raisin growers, held last week, a pool of one thousand tons of fruit was sold under three year contract at 34 cents to packers. This is the first contract, it is claimed, for a large amount made by packers for over a year, and indicates the activity that characterizes the market and the prospects for still higher figures.

The most serious pest in California is the potato worm. The damage to the potato crop in California, as estimated on a basis of opinions obtained from a large number of growers and dealers, aggregates in some years fully 25 per cent. In one section where some of the finest potatoes are grown, the Salinas valley, the dealers estimate that at times the loss has gone as high as 40,000 sacks in a single year. Cal. Cultivator.

Supreme Court Adjournment.

Washington, Chief Justice Fuller announced in the supreme court of the United States that the court would adjourn for the term on May 28. In the meantime the call of the docket will be suspended for the term on the 27th, and a recess of two weeks will be taken on the 29th inst.

Make your best duck a few days before selecting eggs for setting, and you will be more sure of getting fertile eggs, and of the desired mating.

OFFICIALS SEIZE SMUGGLED GOODS

SEVERAL BOXES NABBED AT BAKERSFIELD

Officers and Sailors of the Battleship Oregon Forward Goods Secured in the Orient to Eastern Friends.

Bakersfield.—The goods which were smuggled from the Orient by the battleship Oregon last week have been intercepted in this city, and last evening United States Custom Inspector Behan arrived from San Francisco to take charge of the contraband articles.

The custom officials at San Francisco got on track of the goods and found that they had been delivered by the Oceanic Transport company of San Francisco to the Santa Fe. The assistance of the officials of the railroad was secured and Agent Shick of the local office received instructions to hold the cars in which the goods were shipped when they passed into the local yards on their way east.

Small Boxes in Three Cars.

The boxes, rather small in size, were distributed throughout three cars. This afternoon Agent Shick and Inspector Behan singled them out from the rest of the articles in the cars. They will be returned to San Francisco for future action. Mr. Behan was detailed by the San Francisco office on the case and will probably leave for the north tomorrow.

The smuggled cases were all consigned to eastern destinations and Inspector Behan is under the impression that the articles are gifts sent from officers and sailors on board the vessel to friends and relatives in the east. Some of the boxes are consigned to officers and paymasters in the army and navy.

TO BUY BIG COAST LINE

PACIFIC COAST COMPANY IS IN IMPORTANT DEAL

Eastern Road Said to Be Figuring for Franchise of Western Corporation to Furnish Terminals

New York. The Wall Street Journal says:

"A banker who is closely in touch with the development of the Pacific Coast company states that there are excellent reasons for believing that control of the Pacific Coast company will be found ultimately to rest in the hands of the St. Paul road."

"The St. Paul extension to the coast is to find its western terminus at Seattle. While the St. Paul owns considerable land in Seattle, the real key to the terminal situation in that growing city is held by the Pacific Coast system of railroads, steamship lines and coal fields would provide the St. Paul with a western coal supply and would give it freight feeders along the Pacific coast."

CAN TELEPHONE 3000 MILES

Frisco Engineer Discovers Way by Which Conversation May Be Carried on Across Continent.

San Francisco, David C. St. Charles, an engineer of this city, has invented a repeater which will make it possible to telephone from here to New York. What the so-called "repeater" has done for telegraphy, St. Charles' invention, it is now claimed, has done for the telephone.

The combining of the echo in nature with the sounding board of a violin furnished the clue to the discovery, according to a statement of St. Charles.

Superintendent John W. Glass of the local telephone company is quoted to the effect that the invention is a success.

Vesuvius Is Quiet.

Naples, April 16.—The condition of Mount Vesuvius is unchanged today. The volcano is still surrounded by a thick cloud of smoke, but ashes have almost ceased to fall. Professor Matucci today said that while all danger appeared to be over, the normal condition of the volcano would not be re-established for several weeks. Bodies are still being exhumed from the ruins at Ottaviano, and San Giuseppe.

Heavy Agricultural Exports.

Washington, According to a bulletin issued by the department of commerce and labor, the total value of agricultural products exported from the United States for eight months of the fiscal year 1906, ending with February, 1906, was \$700,000,000, as against \$58,000,000, in the same period of 1905.

A Fresno dispatch says: "There is a prospect of a big shortage in the peach crop. In the San Joaquin valley the ravages of the blight are expected to reduce the yield one-third."

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Church News

An offering will be taken in Holy Trinity Church on Sunday morning for the benefit of the homeless and destitute of San Francisco.

Presbyterian services: Morning services in Womens Club House. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. and preaching at 11. Evening services in Reed's Hall. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 and preaching at 7:30 p. m. Dr. Gage will preach both morning and evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all who can do so to worship with us.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, Isaac Jewell, D. D., pastor. Sunday school 9:15 a. m.; Junior League 3 p. m.; Epworth League 6:30 p. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "Our Commonwealth's Disaster"; evening, "History of Great Earthquakes and Their Lessons." Strangers are specially invited to worship with us. The Epworth League extends a kind invitation to meet with them.

Sunday services at Covina Christian Church. Sunday school 9:15. Preaching morning and evening by pastor J. W. Utter. Morning subject, "Receive Not the Grace of God in Vain." Junior League 3 p. m. Union meeting of Presbyterian and Christian C. E. Societies at Christian Church 6:30 to 7:30. A number of the county C. E. officers will be present and give addresses at Endeavor hour. Special music. Evening subject, "Lessons from the Great Earthquake Disaster."

Services in the Church of the Holy Trinity: First Sunday after Easter. Holy Communion 7:30 a. m. Sunday school 9:15 a. m. Morning Prayer 11 o'clock. Subject of sermon, "The Results of Easter to the World." Evensong, 7:30 p. m. subject, "The Realization of the Invisible." The Easter music will be repeated, the anthems being "Hallelujah, Christ is Risen" and "Why Seek Ye the Living Among the Dead?"

Topic for Epworth League tomorrow evening, "Our Resources in Service." Leader, Cecil Hamilton.

Baptist services: Preaching by pastor Geo. W. Taylor at both services. Sunday school at 10 and preaching at 11 a. m. and B.Y.P.U. at 6:30 p. m. in church building. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. in Woman's Club House. Special features, illustrated song, "The Tie That Binds," 25 views from life and new stereoscopic views and tours of foreign travel. Seats free and everybody invited. Come early as nobody will be admitted during the illustrated service.

Visit From Ontario Library Trustees.

On Wednesday the trustees of the Ontario public library, accompanied by the librarian, Miss Monroe, visited the Covina library in a body, with a view of securing ideas for their own library building, which they expect to erect in the near future in their beautiful little city, having received an appropriation of \$10,000 from Mr. Carnegie for that purpose. They were very outspoken in their approval of the exterior appearance and interior arrangements of the Covina building, which has been pronounced by the Library Commission of the United States as one of the prize library buildings of the State of California.

NOTICE.

We would like to correspond with any one having turkeys, chickens or ducks for sale. We guarantee highest market prices for all stock in good condition. If you have any poultry for sale communicate with us at once. Respectfully yours, Braden Poultry Ranch, Pasadena.

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Notice.

Notice of hearing petition for the vacation and abandonment of Badillo avenue, in the Covina Road District, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that the petition of F. E. Wolforth, et al., for the vacation and abandonment of Badillo avenue, in Covina Road District, County of Los Angeles, State of California, from the west line of Hollenbeck street to the west boundary line of the Phillips tract, as per map recorded in Book 9, page 4, Miscellaneous Records of said county, has been filed with the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, California, and the hearing of the same fixed by said Board for May 8, 1906, at 10 o'clock a. m.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, California, made April 16, 1906.

C. G. KEYES, County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. By A. M. McPherson, Deputy Clerk. 5-5

Wonderfully Productive Orange Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Overholtzer now offer for sale, for the first time, their beautiful, as well as profitable, ten acre orange grove, mostly Valencia. It speaks for itself. These are FACTS. Net profits from this 10 acre grove in the year 1902, \$3756.42; 1903, \$3398.72; 1904, \$1937.41; 1905, \$5270.85; and safe to say in 1906, net profit will reach \$8000, as Mr. Overholtzer refused an offer of \$3.00 per box for the crop. Net profits for the five years \$25363.40. Just think of it! You can buy this grove for \$2000 per acre. Who will be the lucky fellow?

Mr. Overholtzer's sole object for offering this fine property for sale is on account of his wife's ill health.

Her physician recommended a change of climate. For full particulars see J. H. Matthews, the real estate man.

The W.O.W.'s will give a dance in the Opera Hall next Saturday evening.

Assessment Notice.

Covina Irrigating Company, principal place of business, Covina, Rowland Township, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors, held on the fourth day of April, 1906, an assessment (No. 41) of 100 cents per share was levied upon the capital stock (as increased October 22nd, 1886) of the above named corporation, payable at once to B. F. Edwards, secretary of said corporation, at the secretary's office in Covina, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 8th day of May, 1906, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 31st day of May, 1906, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the office of the company in Covina, County of Los Angeles, State of California, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with cost of advertising and expense of sale.

B. F. Edwards, Secretary. Covina, Cal.

Assessment Notice.

Columbia Land & Water Company, location of principal place of business, Covina, California.

Notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the board of directors of the Columbia Land & Water Company, held on April 9th, an assessment of 150 cents per share was levied on the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately in lawful money of the United States of America to the secretary of the corporation at his office in Covina, California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 14th day of May, 1906, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 4th day of June, 1906, at 8 p. m., to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the cost of advertising and expense of sale.

J. H. MATTHEWS, Secretary.

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